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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (Sub. 25) (P)

DATE: 9/25/73

FROM : SA

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SUBJECT: NORJAK  
OO: SEATTLE

RE: TED OLDFIN  
SUB 25

On 7/10/73, a check of Department of Motor Vehicles, State of Washington, revealed EDMUND CHARLES OLDFIN, JR., possessed a Washington State Drivers License. The following information was obtained as a result of this check:

DOB:	12/18/29
Address:	5218 35th Northeast, Seattle, Washington
Eyes:	Green (needs adequate glasses)
Weight:	168 pounds
Height:	6' 1".

## LEADS:

SEATTLE DIVISION  
At Olympia, Washington

Will obtain a copy of OLDFIN's drivers license and forward same to Seattle.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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*DESCRIPTION & PHOTO  
DISSIMILAR. NO EVIDENCE  
TO LINK TO NORJAK  
ELIMINATE*

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*164-81-4965*

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*[Signature]*



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WV.942.1052.

FBI SEATTLE

DRIVERS CK AND ALL VEH REG TO

EDMUND CHARLES OLDFIN JR OLDFIEC711RQ DOB 12-18-29 EXP 74  
5218 35NE SEATTLE WA  
NEEDS ADQ GLASSES  
GRN EYES-168 LBS 6.01

REG BY NAME

Z17492 72 REG 67 SNOCO 2BOAT  
EDMUND C OLDFIN 5218 35TH AVE NE SEATTLE WA

OHY 134 73 REG 68 VOLKS TRASW  
EDMUND C OLDFIN FR 5218 35TH NE SEATTLE WA

MV OLYMPIA LB

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OLDFIN EDMUND C JR 5218 35TH NE SEATTLE WA 98105

PACNB 900 2ND SEATTLE WA 98104

TITLE/08-07-68

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NORJAK

00: Seattle

RE: TED OLDEN  
SUB. NO. 25

On July 2, 1973, the records of the Seattle Police Department, Seattle, and the King County Department of Public Safety were checked concerning OLDEN with negative results.

On July 3, 1973, records of the Seattle Credit Bureau were checked for OLDEN and the following information was obtained for EDMUND C. OLDEN, Jr.:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Previous Addresses</u>
March, 1957	6527 Beacon Drive
October, 1959	32221 E. 95th
July, 1965	5218 - 35th N.E.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Previous Employment</u>
March, 1957	Pacific National Bank Teller
April, 1970	U. S. Government

His Social Security No. was listed as 532-26-0258.

In view of the fact EDMUND C. OLDEN, Jr. may be identical with TED OLDEN, the following lead is being set forth:

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-

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11/29/71

SA MAX L. WILSON

UNSUB; NORTHWEST FLIGHT 305;  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION

On 11/29/71 [redacted], telephonically contacted this office to advise that he had observed the artist's likeness of the unsub and he stated that it and the description of unsub were similar to that of TED OLDFIN, who

[redacted] last saw OLDFIN about [redacted] years ago. About six years ago OLDFIN was employed by the Pacific National Bank in Seattle. OLDFIN used to live on 95th someplace possibly in the NE or NW section. [redacted] does not know if OLDFIN is still in the city. According to [redacted] OLDFIN was a very [redacted] and possible had specialized training in the armed forces. [redacted] requested that his identity not be disclosed.

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E.C. OLDFIN JA  
CASH P-I  
3224 NE 95TH

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TO :

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FROM :

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NR001 AQ PLAIN

5:30PM NITEL 12/17/71 DJC

TO: SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: ALBUQUERQUE (149-131) -P- 1P

NORJACK

THE SAN FRANCISCO NITEL TO ALBUQUERQUE AND SEATTLE, DECEMBER SIXTEEN

LAST, RE [REDACTED] SUSPECT [REDACTED].

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[REDACTED] PRESENT IN [REDACTED], NEW MEXICO, NOVEMBER TWENTY FOUR  
LAST, VERIFIED THROUGH [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] NO FURTHER INVESTIGATION BEING CONDUCTED  
CONCERNING [REDACTED] AND HE IS CONSIDERED FOR ELIMINATION AS SUSPECT.

UNSUB CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

END

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DB COOPER-44409



9 36 PM NITEL 12/16/71 BEH

TO: ALBUQUERQUE (149-81)

SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: SAN FRANCISCO (164-220)

N O R J A K.

RE ALBUQUERQUE NITEL TO SAN FRANCISCO, INSTANT DATE.

RE SUSPECT [REDACTED]

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ON INSTANT DATE, SUSPECT [REDACTED] STATED THAT DURING THE DAY  
OF NOVEMBER TWENTY FOUR LAST, HE WAS WORKING FOR [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] NEW  
MEXICO, [REDACTED]

ON THE EVENING OF NOVEMBER TWENTY FOUR LAST, [REDACTED] STATED HE  
WAS WITH [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED], ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO. [REDACTED] FURTHER  
ADVISED HIS SUPERVISOR [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] PHYSICAL APPEARANCE BEARS SOME RESEMBLANCE TO THE ARTIST

CONCEPTION OF UNSUB.

ALBUQUERQUE AT [REDACTED] WILL CONTACT SUSPECT'S SUPERVISOR  
[REDACTED] TO VERIFY WHEREABOUTS OF SUSPECT DURING THE DAY OF  
NOVEMBER TWENTY FOUR LAST.

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CONSIDER UNSUB ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

END

RECD. 2 TELS

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NR003 AQ PLAIN

5:26PM NITEL 12/16/71 DJC

TO: SAN FRANCISCO

SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: ALBUQUERQUE (149-131) -P- 2P

NORJACK

RE:

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RE SEATTLE NITELS, DECEMBER TWO, AND DECEMBER SEVEN, LAST; AND  
ALBUQUERQUE TEL CALL TO SAN FRANCISCO, DECEMBER SIXTEEN LAST.

FOR INFO SAN FRANCISCO, RE SEATTLE NITELS REFLECT

EMPLOYED AT , SEATTLE, WASHINGTON, AND FORMER  
EMPLOYER THERE STATES  STATED  
 IS A PARATROOPER AND HIS PHYSICAL APPEARANCE RESEMBLES  
THAT OF ARTIST'S CONCEPTION IN THIS MATTER. INVESTIGATION

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REFLECTS [ ] EMPLOYED BY [ ]  
AND CAN NOW BE REACHED AT THE [ ]  
[ ] CALIFORNIA,  
TELEPHONE NO. AREA CODE [ ]

[ ] FURTHER, STATED THAT [ ] IS PRESENTLY  
STAYING AT [ ] CALIFORNIA.

SAN FRANCISCO AT [ ] LOCATE [ ] AND ESTABLISH  
HIS WHEREABOUTS AT TIME OF CAPTIONED MATTER.

UNSUB CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

END

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NR011 SE PLAIN

1:34PM URGENT 12/7/71 VAB

TO ALBUQUERQUE (149-131)  
FROM SEATTLE (164-81) (P)

UNSUB, AKA DAN COOPER, NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR, NINETEEN SEVENTYONE, CAA-  
HIJACKING; EXTORTION, OO: SEATTLE, BUREAU FILE ONE SIX FOUR - TWO  
ONE ONE ONE.

RE ALBUQUERQUE TELETYPE TO SEATTLE, DECEMBER THREE LAST, CON-  
CERNING [REDACTED].

[REDACTED], SEATTLE,  
IS [REDACTED], SEATTLE, AND ADVISED SHE WAS WITH [REDACTED]  
THIS PAST WEEKEND IN SEATTLE. SHE STATES THAT [REDACTED] IN TRAVEL  
STATUS AND IS CURRENTLY EMPLOYED BY [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED], NEW MEXICO. HIS BIRTH DATE IS [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

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[ ] LEFT SEATTLE SUNDAY NIGHT AND WAS GOING TO CALIFORNIA  
AND THEN IT IS BELIEVED BACK TO NEW MEXICO WHERE EMPLOYED AS [ ]

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[ ] ADVISED THAT [ ]  
HAS PUT IN APPLICATION WITH [ ] AND SHOULD  
START WITHIN THE NEAR FUTURE.

[ ] ARE [ ]  
[ ], ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO, AND [ ] ADVISED THAT  
[ ] AND SHOULD NOT BE APPROACHED  
ONLY AS LAST RESORT TO LOCATE [ ].

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ALBUQUERQUE CONTINUE EFFORTS TO ESTABLISH [ ] WHEREABOUTS  
DURING CAPTIONED MATTER.

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UNSUB SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS. -P-

END

OK FBI AQ DRB

DB COOPER 44414

SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

12/6/71

SA [REDACTED]

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UNSUB, aka  
Dan Cooper  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES  
FLIGHT #305  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING;  
EXTORTION  
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RE: [REDACTED]

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Information received from [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]  
answers description of artist's conception of Unsub.

[REDACTED] interviewed on November 30, 1971, and  
advised that he thought that he had a photo of subject, but  
that he could not locate it and will continue to look for it.  
He went on to state that subject [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] went on to state he believes [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] stated that the reason he was  
reporting subject was that subject was [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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Records of the Seattle Police Department and King  
County Sheriff's Office checked on December 2, 1971, failed to  
locate a record identifiable with [REDACTED]

The Seattle Credit Bureau records were checked on  
December 1, 1971, and indicate that a [REDACTED] employed  
[REDACTED] years old at that time and  
that he was previously [REDACTED] in  
[REDACTED]. His address in [REDACTED] was shown

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[redacted] In [redacted]  
he was shown as employed by [redacted]  
[redacted]

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Leads have been set out to Albuquerque to establish  
subject's [redacted], and determine where-  
abouts at time of captioned matter.

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NR003 AQ PLAIN

758PM NITEL 12/3/71 FXH

TO: SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: ALBUQUERQUE (149-131) IP

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UNSUB, AKA DAN COOPER: NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR SEVENTYONE.

CAA - HIJACKING: EXTORTION 00: SEATTLE

REURTEL, DECEMBER TWO LAST.

RE: [REDACTED]

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INVESTIGATION GALLUP AND ALBUQUERQUE, N.M., NEGATIVE TO DATE

TO LOCATE [REDACTED].

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SEATTLE CONDUCT INVESTIGATION AT [REDACTED], FOR FULL  
BACKGROUND THIS INDIVIDUAL. CONTACT EMPLOYEES WHO KNEW HIM FOR  
CURRENT LOCATION AND SET OUT NECESSARY LEADS. [REDACTED] *new*

RE: SUSPECT [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] UFAP - GL; 00: SEATTLE [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

THIS CAPTIONED SUBJECT APPREHENDED SPOKANE, WASH., [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] LAST. PHOTO RESEMBLES ARTIST'S CONCEPTION. IF [REDACTED] NOT IN  
CUSTODY ON DATE INSTANT HIJACKING, SEATTLE HANDLE AS SUSPECT.

UNSUB SHOULD BE CONSIDERED DANGEROUS.

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7:34 PM NITEL 12/2/71 DA

TO ALBUQUERQUE

FROM SEATTLE (164-81)

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES, FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND  
TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR, SEVENTYONE, CAA-HIJACKING;  
EXTORTION, OO: SEATTLE.

RE: [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] STATES SUBJECT [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] AGO AND THAT HE IS [REDACTED] WHO IS

DESCRIBED AS A WHITE MALE, [REDACTED] YEARS, BROWN HAIR, MEDIUM  
COMPLEXION AND THAT HIS PHYSICAL APPEARANCE RESEMBLES THAT OF  
ARTIST CONCEPTION OF UNSUB IN INSTANT MATTER. [REDACTED] STATES

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[REDACTED] IN CONTACT WITH [REDACTED] AND

STATED THAT HE IS BELIEVED TO BE [REDACTED]

[REDACTED], NEW MEXICO.

ALBUQUERQUE. AT [REDACTED], NEW MEXICO. CONDUCT LOGICAL  
INVESTIGATION TO LOCATE SUBJECT AND ESTABLISH HIS WHEREABOUTS  
AT TIME OF CAPTIONED MATTER.

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IF UNSUCCESSFUL AT [REDACTED] CONDUCT INVESTIGATION TO LOCATE  
SUBJECT AT ALBUQUERQUE SINCE [REDACTED] STATES THAT SUBJECT BELIEVED  
TO HAVE WORKED IN ALBUQUERQUE DURING [REDACTED]. -P-

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DB COOPER 44418

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 11/29/71

FROM : [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES  
FLIGHT #305,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: SEATTLE  
BUFILE 164-2111

On instant date [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] home # [REDACTED] work [REDACTED]  
telephonically contacted this office. [REDACTED] advised that  
he has [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] looks like the photo in the paper of the Unsub.

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[REDACTED] advised that [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] gave the following description of [REDACTED]:

AGE	[REDACTED]
Height	6' 0"
Weight	175 lbs
Hair	Brw
Complexion	Med

[REDACTED] could be darker due to the fact he has been in  
[REDACTED] advised that the [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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Seattle indices negative.

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81 [REDACTED])

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SA [REDACTED]

NORJAK

WILLIAM FRANCIS JOHNSTON, SR.

On 1/7/72, witness CORD SPRECKEL, 624 Yale Avenue North, Seattle, Washington, telephone 623-2984 was displayed a photograph of WILLIAM FRANCIS JOHNSTON, SR. SPRECKEL said that based on the photograph displayed him he could not positively eliminate JOHNSTON as a possible suspect in this matter. SPRECKEL said that although JOHNSTON appears to be too young to be the hijacker he declined to eliminate JOHNSTON as SPRECKEL did not know how old the photograph of JOHNSTON was.

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent [redacted]:

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AT EUGENE, OREGON

On January 12, 1972, the following photographs were shown to [redacted] who resides at [redacted]. [redacted] advised that he could not identify any of the individuals in the photographs as being the hijacker of the Northwest Airlines airplane. The photographs are as follows:

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27 - WILLIAM FRANCIS JOHNSTON, JR.;

[redacted]

240 - HENRY GRADY EPPERSON;

230 - "BUZZ" (last name unknown) (LNU);

[redacted]

145 - PETER A. PARLO;

251 - JOHN NEAL MARLER;

[redacted]

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174 - LESLIE GENE MINCE;

[redacted]

61 - HAROLD LEE DOWELL, Solano County Sheriff's Office (CSSO),  
Number V62310;

189 - ROBERT LEE HORTON, Multnomah County Sheriff's Office  
(MCSO) Number 13742;

[redacted]

DELBERT EARL DOWNING, Eugene, Oregon Police Department  
(EOPD) Number 2746;

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165 - JAMES CONRAD CLIFFORD;

[redacted]

202 - GEORGE BRYAN SIEGRIST;

MARVIN JOHN COOPER, Washington County Sheriff's Office  
(WCSO) Number 22048;

DB COOPER-44421

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RPC:csn

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163 -RALPH VINCENT GALOPE, DC 166858;

[REDACTED]

9 - ROBERT HAMMOND KEELY;

69 - JOHN GORDON HOSKINS;

1 - JOSEPH H. JOHNSTON, Mansfield, Ohio Police Department  
Number 18611;

[REDACTED]

ELLOYD J. SNIDER:

[REDACTED]

50 - BEN LEIBSON, Carson City, Nevada Police Department  
Number 17931;

6 - JAMES HENRY ZIMMERMAN:

[REDACTED]

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES  
FLIGHT 305  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING ; EXTORTION  
OO:SEATTLE  
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On 7/6/72 [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Seattle, Washington was shown a group of photographs which are indicated below. This witness could not identify any of these suspects as being identical with instant hijacker based solely on the provided photo.

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[REDACTED] WAYNE KING

[REDACTED] WILLIAM FRANCIS JOHNSTON, SR.

[REDACTED] JAMES CONRAD CLIFFORD

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100 JOHN EMIL LIST

[REDACTED] GEORGE BRYAN SIEGRIST

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144 RODNEY HOLBROOK PACK

142 "BUZZ" (LNU)

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[REDACTED] JOHN NEAL MARLER  
[REDACTED] PETER A. PARLO  
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ANTHONY FERNANDEZ  
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ROBERT HAROLD SHORES  
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] WILLIAM THOMAS EDWARDS  
[REDACTED] GEORGE B. SIEGRIST  
[REDACTED]

27 [REDACTED] WILLIAM F. JOHNSTON  
[REDACTED]

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WAYNE KING

27 [REDACTED] WILLIAM FRANCIS JOHNSTON, SR.

[REDACTED] JAMES CONRAD CLIFFORD

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Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan

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[REDACTED] JOHN NEAL MARLER  
[REDACTED] PETER A. PARLO  
[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] ANTHONY FERNANDEZ  
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ROBERT HAROLD SHORES  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] WILLIAM F. JOHNSTON  
[REDACTED]

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NR008 MP PLAIN

624 PM NITEL 1-6-72 MLF

TO DIRECTOR (164-2111)

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DENVER (164-98)

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NEWARK (164-196)

PHOENIX

PORTLAND (164-41)

PITTSBURGH (164-93)

SAN FRANCISCO (164-220)

SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM MINNEAPOLIS (164-73) 3P

NORJAK.

FOLLOWING SUSPECT'S PHOTOS WERE DISPLAYED TO NORTHWEST

AIRLINES [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ON JANUARY FIVE AND SIX, SEVENTYTWO, AND  
THEY ADVISED NONE OF THESE INDIVIDUALS ARE IDENTICAL OR  
SIMILAR IN APPEARANCE TO UNSUB:

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PETER A. PARLO

JOHN EMIL LIST

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[REDACTED]

SUSPECT FURNISHED TO

MINNEAPOLIS DIVISION BY NORTHWEST AIRLINES, MINNEAPOLIS,  
MINNESOTA.

LESLIE GENE MINCE

[REDACTED]

JAMES CONRAD CLIFFORD

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JOHN NEAL MARLER

WILLIAM F. JOHNSON

[REDACTED]

BUSS (LNU)

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[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
BURTON H KING, MINNESOTA STATE PRISON NUMBER TWO ZERO  
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CONSIDER UNSUB DANGEROUS

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4:05 PM URGENT 1-6-72 LJO

TO: SEATTLE (164-81)

CHICAGO (164-297)

FROM: PORTLAND (164-41) (P) 2P

MORJAK.

RE: PHOTOGRAPHS SHOWN TO WITNESSES.

RE BUFFALO AIRTEL TO SEATTLE, TWELVE TWENTYTWO SEVENTYONE;  
CHICAGO NITEL TO DIRECTOR, TWELVE TWENTYEIGHT SEVENTYONE; CHICAGO  
AIRTEL TO SEATTLE, TWELVE TWENTYONE SEVENTYONE; DENVER AIRTEL TO  
DIRECTOR, TWELVE THIRTY SEVENTYONE; LOS ANGELES AIRTEL TO SEATTLE,  
TWELVE TWENTYTWO SEVENTYONE, SEATTLE TELETYPE TO SAN FRANCISCO,  
TWELVE TWENTYNINE SEVENTYONE, AND SEATTLE AIRTEL TO PORTLAND,  
TWELVE THIRTY SEVENTYONE.

[REDACTED] OF NORTHWEST ORIENT  
AIRLINES, VIEWED PICTURES OF FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS ON JANUARY FIVE  
SEVENTYTWO, AND DID NOT RECOGNIZE ANY AS HIJACKER:

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[REDACTED] (CHICAGO)

[REDACTED] (SEATTLE)

[REDACTED] (SEATTLE)

WILLIAM FRANCIS JOHNSTON, JR., (DENVER)

JOHN NEAL MARLER (LOS ANGELES)

[REDACTED] (CHICAGO)

PETER PARLO (BUFFALO)

[REDACTED] DID NOT RECOGNIZE PHOTOGRAPH OF BUZZ (LNU) (HOUSTON)  
BUT [REDACTED] STATED BUZZ HAS SIMILAR FACIAL CHARACTERISTICS OF  
UNSUB. HE DID NOT IDENTIFY BUZZ AS HIJACKER BUT COULD NOT  
POSITIVELY ELIMINATE HIM.

PORTLAND DOES NOT HAVE PHOTOGRAPH OF [REDACTED], FBI NO.

[REDACTED]

CHICAGO REQUESTED TO SEND PORTLAND [REDACTED] PHOTOGRAPH  
FOR DISPLAY TO WITNESSES.

AIRMAIL COPIES TO BUFFALO, DENVER, HOUSTON AND LOS ANGELES.

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12/30/71

AIRTEL

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)  
FROM : SAC, DENVER (164-98)(P)  
SUBJECT: NORJAK  
OO: SEATTLE

RE: [redacted]  
White male  
DOB [redacted]  
[redacted]

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Re Dallas airtel to Seattle, dated 12/6/71,  
and San Antonio teletype to Denver and Seattle, dated  
12/17/71.

Enclosed to Minneapolis, Portland, and Seattle  
Offices is one copy of Polaroid photograph of [redacted]  
[redacted], which was obtained from [redacted]  
personnel file at [redacted]  
Colorado.

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On 12/20/71, [redacted]

[redacted], Colorado, advised that approximately  
two weeks ago he received a telephone call from OSI  
Headquarters, Washington, D. C., based upon a request  
made by FBI, Washington. This request was to obtain  
photograph, description, and information as to the  
whereabouts of [redacted]

b6 per AFOSI/FBI  
b7C per AFOSI/FBI

advised that a description of [redacted] along with  
a Polaroid photograph taken from [redacted] personnel  
folder, was obtained and forwarded to OSI, Washington.  
He advised that inquiries made through the office to  
which [redacted] was assigned determined that

[redacted] was present for duty at [redacted]  
on 11/24/71.

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Date: 12/17/71

Transmit the following in \_\_\_\_\_  
(Type in plaintext or code)Via AIRTEL \_\_\_\_\_  
(Priority)

TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)  
FROM: SAC, DALLAS (164-191) (P)  
SUBJECT: NORJAK

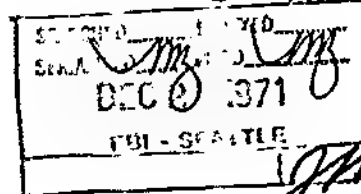
Enclosed are inserts and FD-302 re investigation  
conducted concerning:

3. WILLIAM F. JOHNSTON

4. EARL F. WILLIAMS

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

② - Seattle (Enc. 45)  
2 - Dallas  
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Approved: \_\_\_\_\_ Sent \_\_\_\_\_ M Per \_\_\_\_\_  
Special Agent in Charge

DB COOPER 44434



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DB COOPER 44435

DL 164-191

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The following investigation was conducted by  
SA HARRY J. MORGAN:

AT DALLAS, TEXAS

On November 29, 1971, [redacted]  
[redacted], Texas, telephonically advised the  
Dallas FBI Office that the artist conception as shown  
on the second page of the "Dallas Morning News",  
November 29, 1971, bore a very close resemblance to an  
individual [redacted]  
[redacted]. He recalled his name as [redacted]  
[redacted] said he could not recall [redacted] full name but  
that [redacted] and they  
both would now be about [redacted]. He and [redacted]  
[redacted].

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[redacted]  
on November 30, 1971, advised that he knew [redacted]  
as [redacted]. He was a white male, age about [redacted]  
[redacted], about 6'2", and weighed about 180 pounds.  
He was [redacted]  
[redacted]. He believed he was from the Midwest. They were  
[redacted] from  
[redacted].

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[redacted] who was  
from [redacted] years old. They were [redacted]  
but he could not furnish any of the details.

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The one thing that [redacted] remembered about [redacted]  
was that he always wore sunglasses, both day and night.

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The following investigation was conducted by  
SA [redacted]  
AT [redacted], TEXAS

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On November 30, 1971, [redacted]  
[redacted], Sheriff's Office; and  
[redacted], Police Department, advised the files of their  
respective offices contained no information which could be  
identified with a [redacted]  
[redacted].

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On November 30, 1971, [redacted], Special  
Agent Commander, Office of Special Investigations (OSI),  
[redacted] and [redacted], Special Agent,  
OSI, [redacted] each advised that [redacted]  
[redacted] at that base, was unknown  
to them. They advised that efforts would be made to  
obtain information concerning [redacted].

b6 per AFOSI/FBI  
b7C per AFOSI/FBI

On December 2, 1971, Special Agent [redacted]  
OSI, [redacted] advised that a photograph of a  
[redacted]  
[redacted], appears in the 1955 [redacted]  
[redacted] yearbook.

b6 per AFOSI/FBI  
b7C per AFOSI/FBI

[redacted] advised the photograph of [redacted]  
[redacted] would be furnished to the FBI.

b6 per AFOSI  
b7C per AFOSI

On December 3, 1971, the Dallas Office of the  
FBI received a photograph of [redacted]  
[redacted] and an enlarged photograph of [redacted]  
from Special Agent [redacted] OSI. It lists him as a  
white male, date of birth unknown, with Serial Number as  
[redacted].

b6 per AFOSI/FBI  
b7C per AFOSI/FBI

The following investigation was conducted at  
Dallas, Texas.

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On December 3, 1971, [redacted] after being shown the photograph of [redacted], advised that this photograph is identical to the individual he previously referred to as [redacted], who had [redacted].

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Copies of these photographs were furnished to the Seattle Office.

The following investigation was conducted at [redacted] Texas:

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Special Agent [redacted] OSI, [redacted] b6 per AFOSI/FBI  
[redacted] advised SA [redacted] b7C per AFOSI/FBI  
that [redacted] on December 3, 1971,  
[redacted] had been sent to Vietnam in 1967.

The following investigation was conducted by  
SA [redacted]:

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AT [redacted] TEXAS

b6 per AFOSI/FBI  
b7C per AFOSI/FBI

On December 3, 1971, Major [redacted] U.S. Air Force, who was with [redacted], advised that he was in Vietnam with [redacted] in 1967 and the picture that appeared in the 1955 [redacted] yearbook of [redacted] [redacted] still looks like him.

  
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NR 007 SA C O D E

11:29PM NITEL 12/17/71 JLK

TO DENVER

SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM SAN ANTONIO (164-111)

NORJAK

RE: SUSPECT, [REDACTED]

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RE DALLAS AIRTEL TO SEATTLE DECEMBER SIX LAST AND ST. LOUIS  
NITEL TO DENVER, SAN ANTONIO AND SEATTLE DECEMBER TEN LAST.

OFFICERS RECORDS, MILITARY PERSONNEL CENTER, RANDOLPH AIR FORCE  
BASE, TEXAS, SHOW [REDACTED] USAF SERIAL NUMBER

[REDACTED] SSAN [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] PRESENTLY A [REDACTED] ASSIGNED TO AERO SPACE  
DEFENSE COMMAND, ENT AIR FORCE BASE, COLORADO. HE ENLISTED IN  
USAF [REDACTED] COMMISSIONED [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] HAS HAD CONTINUOUS SERVICE. HAS SERVED FROM

[REDACTED] RATED SUPERIOR.

[REDACTED] DESCRIBED IN RECORDS AS MALE, WHITE, BORN [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] OF [REDACTED] SIX FEET THREE

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INCHES, ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY THREE POUNDS, HAIR AND EYES BROWN, MARRIED.

DENVER [REDACTED] COLORADO, ESTABLISH WHEREABOUTS OF [REDACTED]

DURING PERIOD OF NORJAK AS PER INSTRUCTIONS IN SEATTLE AIRTEL TO  
ALBANY AND ALL FIELD OFFICES DECEMBER SEVEN LAST.

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UNSUB CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/14/71

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT: UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES  
FLIGHT 305, 11/24/71  
CAA-HIJACKING; EXTORTION

On 12/14/71 [REDACTED] was contacted at [REDACTED], Seattle and was shown photographs of the following persons, with throw downs, and he eliminated each person.

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[REDACTED]  
3. HAROLD LEE DOWELL, SUB 61

4. JOHN GORDON HOSKINS, SUB 69

5. WILLIAM F. JOHNSTON, SUB 27

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[REDACTED]  
8. PETER A. PARLO, SUB 145

SUB J

[REDACTED]  
2. MORRIS STANLEY BROWNE

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[REDACTED]  
5. HERMAN LEWIS JONES

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12/3/71

ASAC PAUL R. BIBLER

UNSUB, aka Dan Cooper;  
NW AIRLINES FLIGHT #305,  
Portland to Seattle,  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: SE

RE: SUSPECT - WILLIAM F. JOHNSON

[redacted] telephone [redacted]  
[redacted], said that he had heard we were checking on a  
suspect named WILLIAM F. JOHNSON. JOHNSON is allegedly  
an Air Force person. [redacted] wants us to be sure and  
fill [redacted] in if there is any indication JOHNSON  
is involved.

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# Memorandum

TO : FILE (164-81)

DATE: 11/29/71

FROM : SAC, SEATTLE

SUBJECT: UNSUB;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT 305  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, 11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION

SUSP: BILL JOHNSTON  
Source ~~from~~ SAC DALLAS

On 11/29/71 SAC GORDON SHANKLIN from Dallas called and advised that a complainant had called in and informed them that a BILL JOHNSTON, who was at an air base in Texas during 1953 in the Air Force, resembled UNSUB.

He didn't know what to do with it. I told him to get the complainant interviewed in detail, endeavor to get as much identifying data about the suspect as possible and then endeavor to pursue it through Air Force channels to see if he could be identified.

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TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)

DATE: 12/3/71

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT: UNSUB; NORTHWEST FLIGHT 305  
CAA-HIJACKING; EXTORTION

On 11/30/71, the Seattle City Directory indicated that one EDMUND CHARLES OLDFIN, JR., resided at 5218 35th Ave. NE, phone LA2-0978, and that he was employed as the Chief Clerk for the U.S. District Court, Referee in Bankruptcy.

On 11/30/71, the Washington State Department of Motor Vehicles, Olympia, Washington, advised that OLDFIN was issued Washington Drivers License number OLDFIEC711RQ. A request was made by SA ROBERT WICK to obtain a photo of the subject, and SA WICK provided a copy of the drivers license.

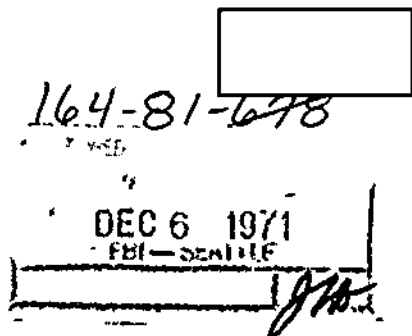
On 11/30/71, 12/1,2/71, the records of the Seattle PD, Seattle Credit Bureau and the King County SO were checked re OLDFIN with negative results.

On 12/2/71, [REDACTED] Federal Judge WILLIAM LANDBERG, advised that OLDFIN signed out of the U.S. Court House Seattle, on 11/24/71 at 6:00pm. b6 b7C

DUE TO THE ABOVE INVESTIGATION EDMUND CHARLES OLDFIN IS BEING ELIMINATED AS A SUSPECT IN THIS CASE.



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FBI SEATTLE

REG BY NAME  
EDMUND CHARLES OLDKIN OR NOT IN OUR FILES

MV OLYMPIA VA

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FBI SEATTLE J.E. MILNES SAC VAB

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WAFBI SE00.NAM/OLDKIEC121829

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MV OLYMPIA

REQUEST CHECK ANY VEHICLES REGISTERED TO  
EDMUND CHARLES OLDKIN, JR. DOB 121829

FBI SEATTLE J.E. MILNES SAC VAB

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

1Date of transcription 11/30/71

[redacted]  
[redacted] telephone [redacted]  
furnished the following information [redacted]  
of EDMUND CHARLES OLDFIN, JR.: (also known as TED OLDFIN)

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[redacted]  
[redacted]

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[redacted] described OLDFIN as being 6'1", 155 pounds, black hair, very quiet and overly calm at all times. OLDFIN usually smoked a pipe, but could have smoked cigarettes as well. [redacted]

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[redacted]

[redacted] advised that OLDFIN [redacted]  
[redacted]

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[redacted] was shown the composite drawing of the hijacker and stated that it sure looked like OLDFIN, and that he last saw him on the street about one week ago.

Interviewed on 11/30/71 at Seattle, Washington File # SE 164-81-699  
by SA [redacted] /mlc Date dictated 11/30/71

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

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SA [REDACTED]

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UNKNOWN SUBJECT;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES  
FLIGHT #305,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,  
11/24/71  
CAA-HIJACKING;  
EXTORTION  
OO: SEATTLE  
BUfile 164-2111

On 11/29/71, [REDACTED] telephonically advised that she is [REDACTED] has an associate named [REDACTED], address unknown, who resembles the captioned hijacker. She said that she has [REDACTED] stated that although [REDACTED] is considerably younger than the description published in the paper, she feels that [REDACTED] resembles the sketch. She said that [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] said that from what [REDACTED] and is approximately [REDACTED] years of age. She said that [REDACTED] and is, therefore, a possible suspect. [REDACTED] said that her home address is [REDACTED] Tacoma, Washington, telephone [REDACTED]. She said that she wishes her identity to be kept from [REDACTED] as she fears [REDACTED] knew she was furnishing information regarding [REDACTED]

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On 11/29/71, [REDACTED] advised that a [REDACTED] was employed [REDACTED] stated that [REDACTED] personnel records indicated that [REDACTED] is described as follows:

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

November 29, 1971

SA [redacted]

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UNKNOWN SUBJECT;  
Northwest Airlines  
Flight 305  
Portland to Seattle  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: SEATTLE

*Susp*

[redacted]

*LNU*

At 12:15 p.m., November 29, 1971 [redacted]  
[redacted] Tacoma, Washington, phone  
[redacted] telephonically advised that he believes [redacted]  
[redacted], has information concerning the  
identity of the hijacker. He said that [redacted]  
[redacted] a close  
associate named [redacted] (LNU). [redacted] said that [redacted]  
[redacted] (LNU) was the hijacker. [redacted] (LNU) is a  
[redacted]  
[redacted] can be contacted at [redacted] Tacoma,  
Washington, phone number [redacted]. He said that [redacted]  
[redacted] not to mention anything about  
[redacted] (LNU) although he feels she will cooperate when  
confronted.

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SEATTLE

AT TACOMA, WASHINGTON

Contact [redacted], Tacoma,  
Washington, phone number [redacted] for information she  
may have concerning captioned hijacker. This is the residence  
[redacted]

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3:00AM (SENT 12-8-71)PM NITEL 12/7/71 DDC

TO SEATTLE (164-91)

FROM SAN DIEGO (164-81)

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UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND  
TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR, LAST; CAA DASH HIJACKING; EXTORTION.  
OO: SE.

RE WFO TELETYPE TO BUREAU DATED DECEMBER FOUR, LAST.

RE: SUSPECT JAMES D. BOOTH.

SUSPECT

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

, ADVISED SHE LAST SAW

[REDACTED]

IN THE SAN DIEGO

AREA. SHE STATED SHE UNDERSTOOD HE IS STILL EMPLOYED AS A MERCHANT  
SEAMAN IN THE SEATTLE, WASHINGTON AREA. SHE STATED HIS MAILING  
ADDRESS IS POST OFFICE BOX FOUR EIGHT NINE, SEATTLE, WASHINGTON.

UNSUB CONSIDERED DANGEROUS.

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TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)  
FROM: SAC, WFO (164-169) (P)

UNSUB;  
Northwest Airlines  
Flight 305,  
Portland to Seattle,  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING, EXTORTION  
(OO:SE)

Re WFO teletype to Bureau, dated 12/3/71. <sup>(64)</sup> A

Enclosed for Seattle is one photograph of suspect  
JAMES DWIGHT BOOTH.

RE SUSPECT JAMES DWIGHT BOOTH:

Enclosed photograph of BOOTH was obtained from  
Merchant Vessel Personnel Section, U.S. Coast Guard Headquarters,  
Washington, D.C. (WDC), on 12/3/71. At that time, a stop  
was placed against BOOTH and WFO will be notified in the  
event BOOTH boards any merchant vessel.

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SEATTLE OFFICE

2 - Seattle (Enc. 1)  
1 - WFO

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12-7-71

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES  
FLIGHT #305,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: SEATTLE  
BUFILE 164-2111

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RE: Suspect No. 29 JAMES D. BOOTH.

On 12-7-71, [REDACTED] advised that JAMES D. BOOTH signed aboard the SS WASHINGTON MAIL on 10-21-71 out of Seattle and was at sea until 11-22-71 when it returned to the Port of Seattle and he signed off at that time. [REDACTED] advised that BOOTH signed on again the same day and was at sea between 1:47 PM, 11-23-71 and 11-25-71. He advised the SS WASHINGTON MAIL was somewhere between Portland, Oregon and Tacoma, Washington during the day of 11-24-71. He further advised that because of BOOTH's position as Third Engineer, the American Mail Company would have been notified immediately had he not been aboard. [REDACTED] advised that BOOTH works directly under [REDACTED].

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In view of the above, BOOTH should be eliminated as a suspect in this matter.

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SUSPECT JAMES DWIGHT BOOTH

RE WFO TELETYPE #21

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3:20AM 12-4-71 DCW

3:07AM 12-4-71

URGENT 12-3-71 MWM

TO DIRECTOR

ALEXANDRIA (MAIL)

BUTTE

LOS ANGELES

MINNEAPOLIS (MAIL)

NEWARK

NORFOLK (MAIL)

PHOENIX (MAIL)

RICHMOND (MAIL)

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BOEING TECH DATA  
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ALL OFFICES VIA WASHINGTON

FROM WASHINGTON FIELD (164-169) (SEVENTEEN PAGES)

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTY FOUR LAST; CAA -  
HIJACKING; EXTORTION, OO:SE.

RE PHOENIX AIRTEL TO SEATTLE NOVEMBER TWENTY NINE  
LAST; SEATTLE TELETYPE TO BUREAU AND WFO DECEMBER ONE LAST;  
SAN FRANCISCO TELETYPE TO SEATTLE AND WFO DECEMBER TWO LAST;  
LOS ANGELES NITEL TO PHOENIX, SEATTLE, AND WFO DECEMBER  
TWO, LAST; WFO TELEPHONE CALL TO LOS ANGELES DECEMBER THREE  
INSTANT; NEWARK TELETYPE TO BUREAU AND OTHERS DECEMBER THREE  
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FROM: SAN FRANCISCO (164-220) (P) 2P

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UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,  
NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR, LAST. CAA-HIJACKING;EXTORTION.

RE SEATTLE TELETYPE TO SAN FRANCISCO DECEMBER ONE, LAST.

REFERENCED TELETYPE ADVISES AS FOLLOWS:

RE SUSPECT JAMES D. BOOTH.

BOOTH IS BEING CONSIDERED A SUSPECT IN THIS CASE AS HIS  
APPEARANCE MEETS THE GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF THE HIJACKER.

INVESTIGATION AT SEATTLE REVEALS BOOTH'S WHEREABOUTS AT THIS  
TIME UNKNOWN, HOWEVER, HE IS A LICENSED MERCHANT SEAMAN, Z NUMBER SIX  
THREE NINE ONE TWO SIX, WITH SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER FOUR SEVEN THREE  
TWO TWO FIVE SIX NINE ONE. BOOTH WAS BORN DECEMBER ONE, NINETEEN  
TWENTY-SEVEN, AT DULUTH, MINNESOTA, AND WAS ISSUED HIS Z NUMBER IN  
SAN FRANCISCO IN NINETEEN FORTYNINE. BOOTH WAS ISSUED A CHIEF  
ENGINEERS LICENSE IN SAN FRANCISCO IN JUNE, SIXTYNINE. BOTH LICENSES  
HAVE BEEN RENEWED AT SEATTLE, HOWEVER, NO PHOTO AVAILABLE.

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[REDACTED] UNITED STATES COAST GUARD,  
SAN FRANCISCO, ADVISES THAT THE REQUESTED INFORMATION WOULD BE  
AVAILABLE AT THE UNITED STATES COAST GUARD MERCHANT VESSEL PERSONNEL  
SECTION, WASHINGTON, D.C.

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WASHINGTON FIELD OFFICE OBTAIN MOST RECENT PHOTO OF BOOTH AND  
ATTEMPT TO DETERMINE HIS CURRENT SHIP ASSIGNMENT ON NOVEMBER TWENTY-  
FOUR, LAST.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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11:41AM URGENT 12/1/71 VAB

TO SAN FRANCISCO

FROM SEATTLE (164-81) (P)

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR LAST. CAA-HIJACKING; EXTORTION.

RE: SUSPECT JAMES D. BOOTH.

BOOTH IS BEING CONSIDERED A SUSPECT IN THIS CASE AS HIS APPEARANCE MEETS THE GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF THE HIJACKER.

INVESTIGATION AT SEATTLE REVEALS BOOTH'S WHEREABOUTS AT THIS TIME UNKNOWN, HOWEVER, HE IS A LICENSED MERCHANT SEAMAN, Z NO. SIX THREE NINE ONE TWO SIX, WITH SOCIAL SECURITY NO. FOUR SEVEN THREE TWO TWO FIVE SIX NINE ONE. BOOTH WAS BORN DECEMBER ONE, NINETEEN TWENTYSEVEN AT DULUTH, MINN. AND WAS ISSUED HIS Z NO. IN SF IN NINETEEN FOURTYNINE. BOOTH WAS ISSUED A CHIEF ENGINEERS LICENSE IN SF IN JUNE SIXTYNINE. BOTH LICENSES HAVE BEEN RENEWED AT SEATTLE, HOWEVER NO PHOTO AVAILABLE.

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SAN FRANCISCO AT SAN FRANCISCO FURNISH SEATTLE WITH MOST RECENT PHOTO OF BOOTH AND ATTEMPT TO DETERMINE HIS CURRENT SHIP ASSIGNMENT ON NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR SEVENTYONE.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)

DATE: 11-29-71

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT: UNSUB;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT 305  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE  
11-24-71  
CAA-HIJACKING; EXTORTION

On 11-26-71, [REDACTED] was contacted at his place of employment [REDACTED] and advised that upon reading the newspaper accounts of the hijacking, which took place in Seattle on 11-24-71, he recalled to mind an individual he had [REDACTED] 1971. He stated that he returned to his office and checked his records which showed that an individual by the name of JAMES D. BOOTH was the individual he was thinking about who met the description of the hijacker as set out in the newspaper accounts. He felt that it was particularly peculiar that the hijacker had used the name D. B. COOPER and felt that the similar initials in the name JAMES D. BOOTH might be significant. He advised that Mr. BOOTH took [REDACTED] during the period 7/16-30/71. He advised Mr. BOOTH failed to pass the drivers test on 7-30-71 and was to return a week later to take another exam but did not appear. He stated that [REDACTED] had had had conversations with Mr. BOOTH on six or seven occasions and that BOOTH had mentioned that he was a Marine Engineer and had worked his way up in the Merchant Marines to that position. He stated his records reflect that BOOTH was born 12-1-27, was 6' tall, 180 pounds, straight black hair and a light complexion. He advised that Mr. BOOTH was unmarried, appeared to be younger than his age and gave an address of Box 489, Seattle, telephone MA. 2-4851, which is the Moore Hotel, Second and Virginia. BOOTH also mentioned that he had been shipwrecked at one time and [REDACTED] felt that he was a very mature and stable individual.

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[ ] felt that BOOTH had travelled extensively and appeared to be from or was very familiar with the Pacific Northwest.

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On 11-26-71, CWO W. A. YOAST, District Court Guard Office, Seattle, advised that JAMES DWIGHT BOOTH, born on 12-1-27, Duluth, Minnesota, was issued Coast Guard Z No. 639126 in San Francisco, California in 1949 and had applied for a duplicate in Seattle on 4-15-57. At this time, BOOTH had given an address of Box 1116 Cut Bank, Montana. BOOTH's coast guard papers described him as qualified as a Fireman, Water tender, Oiler, Mess man, General Engineer and Deck Engineer. In June, 1964, BOOTH was issued a Chief Engineers license in San Francisco and he renewed this license in Seattle in June, 1969. This license entitled BOOTH to the rating of Chief Engineer on steam vessels. BOOTH had Social Security Account Number 473-22-5691.

Attached hereto is a xerox copy of a form used by BOOTH when applying for his duplicate Z Number on 4-17-57 which shows samples of BOOTH's printing and his handwritten signature. CWO YOAST advised they were not in possession of a photograph of BOOTH.

PRINT ALL ENTRIES

"LOST DOCUMENTS"

DATE:

Name in full:

JAMES DWIGHT BOOTH  
FIRST MIDDLE LAST

Your permanent home address:

Box 1116 CUT BANK  
MONTANA

Date of birth:

Place of Birth:

Your rating on last vessel on which you were employed:

1 DEC. 1927 Duluth, Minn. OILER

Full name of last ship on which employed

Date and Port signed on that vessel:

US NORTH PLATTE VICTORY DATE: 19 JAN. 57 PORT: SEATTLE

Merchant Mariner's document or Certificate of Identification.

Number of other lost certificates:  
 (A, B, C, D & E certificates)  
 Number

Number 2- 639 126

At what port were the lost documents issued?

On what date were lost documents issued?

VARIOUSVARIOUS

Ratings shown on lost CERTIFICATES OR MERCHANT MARINER'S DOCUMENT:

WIPER F/W/T OILER JR ENGR

Are the documents for which duplicates are requested, or any endorsement thereon, currently revoked, suspended, or voluntarily surrendered?

Yes

No

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(Check one)

"LOST DISCHARGES"

NO NOT fill in spaces below if you are NOT filing for lost discharges.

SEE REVERSE SIDE

NAME OF SHIP IN FULL	DATE SIGNED ON VESSEL	DATE SIGNED OFF VESSEL	RATING ON VESSEL	PORT OF DISCHARGE
It is requested That I be furnished				
A complete record of my sea service				
from and including 1944 to and including 1952 (Approximately) 20 discharges				

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Date or approximate date documents were lost: 19 DEC 1952

Place where documents were lost: SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF.

How were documents lost: (State in detail) DISCHARGES OF  
3 YEARS SEA TIME FROM 1947 - 1952 WERE  
TURNED IN TO THE COAST GUARD OFFICE 19 DEC  
1952 IN SAN FRANCISCO CALIF. WHEN I OBTAINED  
MY LICENCE AS 3RD ASST. ENGINEER

STATE BELOW, IN DETAIL ALL EFFORTS YOU MADE TO RECOVER THE DOCUMENTS OR DIS-  
CHARGES AND IF THE LOSS WAS REPORTED TO THE LOCAL POLICE, OFFICER ON BOARD  
SHIP, ETC:

I certify that all of the above statements are true. I further certify that  
the above document(s) is (are) not currently revoked or suspended, and that  
I have not sold, given away, or disposed of said document(s) other than as  
stated above, and that if any or all of said documents come into my possession  
I will return same at once to the Commandant, U. S. Coast Guard.

  
Signature in FULL (no initials)

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12:56PM URGENT 12/7/71 VAB

TO MILWAUKEE (164-36)

FROM SEATTLE (164-81)

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UNSUB; AKA DAN COOPER, NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR LAST, CAA - HIJACKING;  
EXTORTION. OO: SEATTLE.

RE: LAWRENCE EDWARD FRANK (SUB THIRTY).

RE SEATTLE NITEL TO MILWAUKEE, DECEMBER TWO LAST.

DISCONTINUE AS WITNESS HAS ELIMINATED FRANK'S PHOTOGRAPH.

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DB COOPER-44487

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)

DATE: 12/6/71

FROM : SA LOUIS M. HARRIS, JR.

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES  
FLIGHT #305,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: SEATTLE  
BUfile 164-2111

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On 12/3/71

[redacted] was shown  
a group of photographs which contained a photo of  
LAURENCE EDWARD FRANK. [redacted] advised  
that this individual is not identical with his  
recollection of the hijacker in this case.

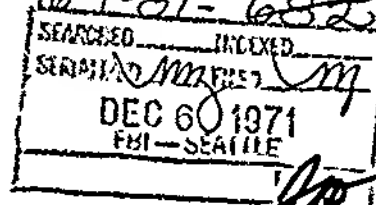
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SA [REDACTED]

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UNSUB, aka  
Dan Cooper  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES  
FLIGHT #305  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING;  
EXTORTION  
(OO:SE)

RE: LAWRENCE EDWARD FRANK (Sub 30)

Investigation initiated upon receipt of information from Milwaukee Division that FRANK may be residing in Seattle area and has recently turned in an application for employment at The Boeing Company. He was also described as a person generally fitting the description of Unsub and who had previous parachuting experience.

Records of the Seattle Credit Bureau were checked on December 1, 1971, with negative results.

[REDACTED] The Boeing Company, 7755 East Marginal Way South, advised on December 1, 1971, that her company had no record of an application submitted by subject.

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[REDACTED] Washington State Department of Public Assistance, Seattle, advised on December 1, 1971, that FRANK was not on the Welfare rolls in the City of Seattle.

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Department of Motor Vehicles was checked on December 1, 1971, with negative results.

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**On December 2, 1971, records of the Seattle Police Department and King County Sheriff's Office were checked with negative results.**

**On December 2, 1971, a teletype was submitted to Milwaukee requesting further information as to subject's whereabouts, and/or photograph of subject.**

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/6/71

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT: UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES  
FLIGHT 305, 11/24/71  
CAA-HIJACKING; EXTORTION

On 12/6/71

SA [REDACTED]

contacted [REDACTED]

[REDACTED], telephone [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED], Seattle, Washington,  
telephone [REDACTED].

SA [REDACTED] exhibited to [REDACTED] a group of photographs,  
including that of LAWRENCE EDWARD FRANK, a suspect  
in the instant matter.

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[REDACTED] eliminated this suspect, based upon his recollection of  
the hijacker in this case.

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/3/71

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES  
FLIGHT #305,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
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RE: SUSPECTS [REDACTED]

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DAVID GEORGE ALLEN  
LAWERANCE EDWARD FRANK  
BEN LEIBSON  
[REDACTED]

Witness CORD HARMS SPRECKEL was shown pictures of the above noted suspects. SPRECKEL could not positively identify any of the photographs as that of the hijacker. He said that all of the people shown in the photographs could be eliminated in his opinion with the exception of [REDACTED]. He said that [REDACTED] resembled the hijacker in photos numbered 5 and 6. He said that in photo #5 [REDACTED] is sitting in a manner much like the way the hijacker was sitting on the plane. He said that although there is a good resemblance in the photograph he could not positively identify [REDACTED] as the hijacker unless he say him in person.

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TO MILWAUKEE (164-36)

FROM SEATTLE (164-31)

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND  
TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR, NINETEEN SEVENTYONE, CAA-  
HIJACKING; EXTORTION; OO: SEATTLE.

PE: LAWRENCE EDWARD FRANK (SUB. THIRTY).

PE: MILWAUKEE TEL TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYNINE, SEVENTYONE.

RECORDS BOEING COMPANY, SEATTLE, WASHINGTON, CHECKED, DECEMBER  
ONE, SEVENTYONE, AND CAN LOCATE NO EMPLOYMENT APPLICATION FOR  
SUBJECT. CREDIT AND ARREST, DMV, WELFARE ROLLS, CHECKED FOR CITY  
OF SEATTLE, RE SUBJECT WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

MILWAUKEE INDICATES THAT [REDACTED] HAS PHOTO OF SUBJECT  
AND IF NOT ALREADY DONE, SHOULD FORWARD SAME TO SEATTLE. ALSO  
NOTED WAS THAT [REDACTED], MAY BE IN CONTACT WITH [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED], AND IF SO, HE SHOULD BE LOCATED TO DETERMINE  
SUBJECT'S WHEREABOUTS. -P-

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613PM URGENT 11/29/71 LSK

TO SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM MILWAUKEE (164-36) (P)

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES, FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR, SEVENTYONE,  
AA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO: SEATTLE.

RE TELEPHONE CONVERSATION BETWEEN SA [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] OF MILWAUKEE AND SA DONALD R. STEELE OF SEATTLE,

INSTANT DATE.

ON NOVEMBER TWENTYNINE, SEVENTYONE, [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED], MILWAUKEE, ADVISED

HE HAD NOTED ARTIST'S COMPOSITE DRAWING OF UNSUB IN  
"THE MILWAUKEE JOURNAL" DATED NOVEMBER TWENTYEIGHT,  
SEVENTYONE.

[REDACTED] STATED [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] TO SEATTLE AREA.

LAST CONTACT WITH [REDACTED]

SEVENTYONE.

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AT LAST CONTACT, [REDACTED]

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AT SEATTLE.

[REDACTED] ADVISED

[REDACTED] HAD PREVIOUSLY [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] MILWAUKEE

AND SHE THOUGHT HE HAD A PICTURE TAKEN THERE.

[REDACTED] PICTURE OF [REDACTED]

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SHE ADVISED [REDACTED] HAD BEEN IN PARATROOPERS  
IN ARMY AND HAD BELONGED TO SKY DIVING CLUB.

[REDACTED] DESCRIBED

[REDACTED] LAWRENCE

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EDWARD-FRANK, WHITE MALE, DOB JUNE SIX, THIRTYNINE,  
POB MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN, SELECTIVE SERVICE NO. FOUR  
SEVEN SEVEN SIX THREE NINE TWO SEVEN THREE, COMPLEXION  
MEDIUM, HEIGHT SIX FEET THREE QUARTER INCH, ONE HUNDRED  
SEVENTYFIVE POUNDS, BLUE EYES, DARK BROWN HAIR, RECEDING  
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HAIRLINE, HEAVY SMOKER, ALWAYS WORE SUNGLASSES, DAY AND NIGHT,  
EXTREMELY HEAVY EYEBROWS, WELL DRESSED.

[ ] ADVISED SHE HAD ATTEMPTED TO CONTACT OR LOCATE  
[ ] TO SHOW HIM THE

DRAWING AND [ ]

[ ] AND POSSIBLY CURRENTLY RESIDES AT AN UNKNOWN  
ADDRESS IN [ ] WISCONSIN.

ON NOVEMBER TWENTYNINE, SEVENTYONE, [ ]

[ ]  
[ ], MILWAUKEE , FURNISHED  
PHOTOGRAPH OF LAWRENCE E. FRANK TAKEN [ ]

[ ]  
PHOTOS OBTAINED FROM [ ]  
FORWARDED TO SEATTLE.

LEADS AS INDICATED BY MILWAUKEE TELEPHONE CALL  
BEING LEFT TO DESCRETION OF OFFICE OF ORIGIN. DEATILED  
INFO RE DESCRIPTION FURNISHED SEATTLE IN TELEPHONE CALL.

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)

11/29/71

SA [REDACTED]  
MILWAUKEE

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UNSUB;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT #305,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE 11/24/71  
CAA-HIJACKING; EXTORTION;  
OO: SEATTLE

This will confirm Milwaukee telephone call from  
SA [REDACTED] to SA DONALD J. STEELE as follows:

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On 11/29/71, [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED], Milwaukee, Wisconsin, advised she had noted an  
artist's composite drawing of the unknown subject in the  
Milwaukee Journal (dated 11/28/71, Page three).

[REDACTED] continued that [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] to the Seattle area. Several  
times since then he came back to Milwaukee and last contacted  
her [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] in Seattle. He remarked  
that he was [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] who lived in Seattle. [REDACTED] advised  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] Milwaukee, and she thought he had  
a picture taken there. [REDACTED]  
photograph of [REDACTED].

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She continued [REDACTED] had been in the paratroopers  
in the Army, and while in the service, belonged to a skydiving  
club; however, after his discharge, he did not belong to such  
a club. She noted that the photograph [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] had put on 40 pounds since photo  
taken. She described [REDACTED] as follows:

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Name	LAWRENCE EDWARD FRANK
Race	White
Sex	Male
Date of Birth	6/6/39
Place of Birth	Milwaukee, Wisconsin

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Dates Army Service 1959-1961

Military Service Honorable discharge from U. S. Army. It is noted Mrs. FRANK had papers showing FRANK was discharged 1/29/58 from the Wisconsin National Guard, Company G, 127th Infantry Regiment at Oconomowoc, Wisconsin.

Service Serial Number	RA 27895023
Selective Service No.	47-76-39-273
Complexion	Medium
Height	6'3/4"
Eyes	Blue
Weight	175 pounds
Hair	Dark brown, very high forehead, receding hairline. Hair thin on top, parted on left with one inch scar in part.
Sideburns	Full to top of ear.
Teeth	Upper teeth false; lower teeth natural. Very tobacco stained as never brushed.
Hands	Noticeably "nice" except fingernails never cleaned.
Other	Heavy smoker of Pall Mall non-filter cigarettes and pipes, and always smelled of tobacco smoke.
Scars	Noticeable scar about one inch long on end of left index finger which looked like a skin graft from being cut in a saw.
Glasses	Always wore sunglasses, night and day.
Miscellaneous	When nervous or excited, one inch lump would rise on right forehead and apparently was a twitching nerve. Extremely heavy eyebrows, round shouldered, very effeminate walk.
Clothing	Very sharp dresser, always wore tailor made clothing and always very dressed up appearance. Usually wore very dressy felt snap brim hats. Always wore either black or brown shoes, flashy ties and shirts.

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[redacted] belonged to the International Accounting Society although had no degree in accounting. She stated he had taken a correspondence course in accounting.

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[redacted] advised she had attempted to contact or locate [redacted] to show him the drawing and [redacted]

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[redacted] and apparently currently resides at an unknown address in [redacted] Wisconsin. [redacted] advised [redacted] and as a consequence, his ears were loose and floppy.

On 11/29/71, [redacted]  
[redacted], Milwaukee, Wisconsin, furnished a photograph of LAWRENCE E. FRANK taken [redacted]. The photographs obtained from [redacted] are being forwarded for the assistance of Seattle.

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To : SAC, SEATTLE (164A-81) (P) (OLYMPIA) Date 7/21/92  
ATTN: SA [redacted]

From : SA [redacted]

cc to SWBS 485  
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Subject: NORJAK

## ARMED AND DANGEROUS

On July 8, 1992, [redacted] a white male, date of birth [redacted], appeared unannounced at the Olympia Resident Agency. He indicated that he is homeless and presently staying at the Olympia Salvation Army shelter. He is not employed and receives food stamps through DSHS.

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He indicated that the purpose of his visit was to inform the FBI about [redacted] DONALD ALLEN BRENNAN, who was a suspect in the early days of the investigation. The [redacted] BRENNAN is about 6'4" with dark hair and now resides in Little Rock, Washington. He does construction work and once worked as a smoke jumper when [redacted].

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[redacted] explained that as [redacted] living on the edge of poverty in Tumwater [redacted] was involved in a lot of secretive conversations with friends. Friends included a musician by the name of [redacted] who was with the musical group [redacted] and resided in Seattle.

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[redacted] indicated that after the skyjacking crime occurred in the early 1970's [redacted] moved into a nice house off [redacted] in Olympia and then moved to a better house in [redacted] in Lacey. [redacted] to California.

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[redacted] indicated that he has had [redacted] [redacted], partly because [redacted]. He indicated that he would make himself available at a later date if further information was needed concerning the [redacted].

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③ - Seattle (1-164A-81) ✓  
(1-SA [redacted])  
(1-SA [redacted])

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)

DATE: November 13, 1972

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: NORJAK  
OO: SEATTLE

RE DON BRENNER, SUB 31  
DON BRENNAN, SUB 485

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*Sub 485*  
**ELIMINATE  
BOTH**

BRENNAN first suggested as a suspect November 26, 1971, by [REDACTED] Washington. [REDACTED] spelled BRENNAN's name as BRENNER. In addition, BRENNAN was suggested as a suspect by [REDACTED], Kalispell, Montana, August 7, 1972. A careful review of both files determined that BRENNER and BRENNAN were identical. A description of BRENNAN follows:

Name:	DONALD ALLEN BRENNAN, aka Donald Allen Brennen, Don Brenner, Don Brennan
Sex:	Male
Race:	Caucasian
Hair:	Reddish-blond
Eyes:	Blue
DOB:	September 23, 1932
Height:	6'3"-6'4"
Weight:	195-200 lbs.
Complexion:	Fair
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
Address:	Route 13, Box 404, Olympia, Washington.

BRENNAN's photo was showed to Seattle witnesses, and it was determined he did not resemble the hijacker.

In view of the above, no further investigation is being conducted concerning BRENNAN and both sub files 31 and 485 are to be marked eliminated.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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AIR MAIL

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)  
FROM : SAC, BUTTE (164-26) (P)  
SUBJECT: NORJAK

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Re: SUSPECT DON BRENNER.

Remytel, 8/7/72.

                    , Kalispell, Montana, advised that  
he could not locate a photograph of suspect DON BRENNER.

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TO SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM SACRAMENTO (164-50) 3P

NORJAK. 00: SEATTLE.

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RE PORTLAND TELETYPE TO SEATTLE AND SACRAMENTO AUGUST ELEVEN LAST.  
RE SUSPECT DON BRENNAN.

ON INSTANT DATE, [REDACTED], NORTHERN

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CALIFORNIA FOREST SERVICE CENTER, REDDING, CALIFORNIA, ADVISED THAT DONALD A. BRENNAN WORKED AS A REDDING SMOKE JUMPER DURING SUMMER OF ONE NINE FIVE EIGHT. ONLY AVAILABLE IDENTIFICATION OBTAINED VIA TELEPHONE CALL TO FEDERAL RECORDS CENTER, ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI, INSTANT WHICH REVEALED DATE OF BIRTH SEPTEMBER TWO THREE, ONE NINE THREE TWO, 1932 AND SOCIAL SECURITY ACCOUNT NUMBER FIVE THREE EIGHT DASH TWO SIX DASH THREE SEVEN FOUR FOUR.

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SMOKE JUMPER BOB CERSH, TWO SEVEN FIVE ONE RESERVOIR LANE, REDDING, ADVISED WHEN CAPTIONED MATTER FIRST OCCURRED, HE IMMEDIATELY STATED TO FRIEND THAT BRENNAN IS THE TYPE WHO WOULD ATTEMPT CAPTIONED MATTER AND ALSO ADVISED COMPOSITE OF UNSUB IS SIMILAR TO THAT OF SUSPECT. CERSH STATED BRENNAN LEFT REDDING DURING SUMMER OF ONE NINE FIVE EIGHT TO WORK AS SMOKE JUMPER IN FAIRBANKS, ALASKA. IN ONE NINE SIX TWO, BRENNAN ESTABLISHED FIREFIGHTING SCHOOL FOR CONVICTS NEAR EAST END OF SUSANVILLE, CALIFORNIA. SCHOOL BELIEVED CLOSED THIS YEAR.

IN ONE NINE SIX TWO, SUSANVILLE SHERIFF'S OFFICE CONTACTED CERSH BECAUSE BRENNAN CLAIMED HE HAD A PARACHUTE BELONGING TO HIM WHICH, IN FACT, WAS FOUND TO BE STOLEN BY BRENNAN.

CERSH RECEIVED A CHRISTMAS CARD FOR THE FIRST TIME IN TEN YEARS THIS LAST CHRISTMAS. CARD POSTMARKED DECEMBER SIX, ONE NINE SEVEN ONE AT OLYMPIA, WASHINGTON, AND SIGNED [REDACTED],

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[REDACTED] OLYMPIA, WASHINGTON.

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SEATTLE AT OLYMPIA, WASHINGTON, WILL ATTEMPT TO LOCATE  
SUSPECT AND DETERMINE WHEREABOUTS DURING CRITICAL PERIOD.

SACRAMENTO AT SUSANVILLE, CALIFORNIA, WILL ATTEMPT TO DETERMINE  
SUSPECT'S EMPLOYMENT AND OBTAIN BACK GROUND.

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3:55 PM URGENT 8-11-72 GEO

TO: SEATTLE (164-81)

SACRAMENTO

FROM: PORTLAND (164-41) (P) 2P

NORJAK. RE: SUSPECT DON BRENNAN.

RE BUTTE TELETYPE TO SEATTLE, AUGUST SEVEN, SEVENTYTWO.

REFERENCED COMMUNICATION FURNISHED FOLLOWING INFO:

[REDACTED] KALISPELL, MONTANA, ADVISED AUGUST SEVEN, SEVENTYTWO, HE VISITED WITH A FRIEND WHO WAS A FELLOW SMOKE JUMPER DURING THE EARLY SIXTIES IN OREGON AND ALASKA. THEY DISCUSSED SOME OF THEIR FELLOW SMOKE JUMPERS AND STATED DON BRENNER WAS A FELLOW SMOKE JUMPER WHO RESEMBLED THE COMPOSITE DRAWING OF D.B. COOPER. [REDACTED] STATED [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] BRENNER COULD HAVE USED D.B. (DON BRENNER) [REDACTED]. RECORDS OF BRENNER SHOULD BE AT THE SMOKE JUMPERS STATION AT CAVE JUNCTION, OREGON, OR AT FAIRBANKS, ALASKA. BRENNER WOULD NOW BE IN HIS LATE THIRTIES.

[REDACTED] HAD NO FURTHER INFO AS TO THE CURRENT WHEREABOUTS OF

BRENNER, BUT DOES HAVE A CLASS PICTURE SOMEWHERE IN HIS PERSONAL BELONGINGS WHICH BUTTE WILL OBTAIN.

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ON AUGUST ELEVEN, SEVENTYTWO, [REDACTED],  
SISKIYOU SMOKE JUMPERS BASE, CAVE JUNCTION, OREGON, ADVISED THEY  
HAVE NO RECORD OF DON BRENNER BEING STATIONED AT THEIR BASE.

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[REDACTED], SISKIYOU SMOKE JUMPERS, ADVISED DON  
BRENNAN JUMPED OCCASIONALLY IN OREGON, BUT WAS STATIONED AT THE  
SMOKE JUMPERS BASE IN READING, CALIFORNIA. [REDACTED] DESCRIBED  
BRENNAN AS WHITE MALE AMERICAN, SIX FEET TWO TO SIX FEET THREE  
INCHES, SLENDER BUILD. BRENNAN STATIONED IN ALASKA AFTER HE  
LEFT READING, CALIFORNIA.

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SACRAMENTO AT READING CALIFORNIA. REVIEW RECORDS OF SMOKE  
JUMPER BASE FOR IDENTITY AND BACKGROUND OF BRENNAN AND SET OUT  
LEADS TO DETERMINE CURRENT WHEREABOUTS AND WHEREABOUTS DURING  
PERTINENT PERIOD OF NORJAK.

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4:45 PM URGENT 8-7-72 LKS

TO SEATTLE (164-81)

PORTLAND (164-41)

FROM BUTTE (164-26) (P) 1P

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NORJAK

RE SUSPECT DON BRENNER.

[REDACTED], KALISPELL, MONTANA,  
ADVISED THIS DATE HE VISITED WITH A FRIEND WHO WAS A FELLOW  
SMOKE JUMPER DURING THE EARLY SIXTIES IN OREGON AND ALASKA.  
THEY DISCUSSED SOME OF THEIR FELLOW SMOKE JUMPERS AND STATED  
DON BRENNER WAS A FELLOW SMOKE JUMPER WHO RESEMBLED THE  
COMPOSIT DRAWING OF D. B. COOPER. [REDACTED] STATED [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] BRENNER COULD HAVE USED  
D. B. (DON BRENNER), [REDACTED]. RECORDS OF  
BRENNER SHOULD BE AT THE SMOKE JUMPERS STATION AT COVE JUNCTION,  
OREGON, OR AT FAIRBANKS, ALASKA. BRENNER WOULD NOW BE IN HIS  
LATE THIRTIES. [REDACTED] HAD NO FURTHER INFORMATION AS TO THE  
CURRENT WHEREABOUTS OF BRENNER, BUT DOES HAVE A CLASS PICTURE  
SOMEWHERE IN HIS PERSONAL BELONGINGS, WHICH BUTTE WILL OBTAIN.

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PORTLAND AT COVE JUNCTION, OREGON, REVIEW RECORDS OF  
SMOKE JUMPER STATION FOR IDENTITY AND BACKGROUND OF BRENNER  
AND SET OUT LEADS TO DETERMINE CURRENT WHEREABOUTS AND  
WHEREABOUTS FURING PERTINENT PERIOD.

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: March 1, 1972.

FROM : SA CHARLES E. FARRELL

SUBJECT: NORJAJ

## Showing Photos to Witnesses:

On March 1, 1972, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Office phone [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] viewed the following list of suspect's photographs and advised that, in his opinion, none resembled the hijacker.

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[REDACTED]  
JOHN DONALD PAGE Sub 250  
KENNETH POWELL JR. DOWDIE - Sub 250

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[REDACTED]  
LAWRENCE ALLISON HOBART [REDACTED] 279  
CHARLES A. WHITAKER [REDACTED] 263

[REDACTED]  
JOSEPH ROYCE STAGG (Sub F) 320

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[REDACTED]  
LAWRENCE LYSTER KENNEDY [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 2/28/72

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT: NORJAK

On 2/8/72 witness CORD SPRECKEL, 624 Yale Avenue North, Seattle, Washington, telephone 623-2984 was displayed photographs of the following suspects. SPRECKEL stated that in his opinion based on his observation of the subject during the hijacking he could positively eliminate the following persons as suspects in this matter:

WILLIAM JOHNSON LOUDERBACK MASON (Sub ~~292~~ 304)

[REDACTED]  
DONALD ALLEN BRENNEN [REDACTED] 31

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[REDACTED]  
LAWRENCE ALLISON HOBART [REDACTED] 211

CHARLES A. WHITAKER [REDACTED] 263

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[REDACTED]  
JOSEPH ROYCE STAGG (Sub ~~29~~ 320)

[REDACTED]  
LAWRENCE LYSTER KENNEDY [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 2/11/72

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT: NORJAK

On 2/11/72 the photographs of the following persons were exhibited to witness [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED], Seattle, Washington.

He eliminated all although he did say that the following two were excellent look-alikes.

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[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
DONALD BRENNEN

[REDACTED]  
KENNETH DOWIE, JR.

[REDACTED]  
LAWRENCE ALLISON HOBART  
LAWRENCE LYSTER KENNEDY

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[REDACTED]  
JOHN DONALD PAGE

[REDACTED]  
JOSEPH ROYCE STAGG

[REDACTED]  
CHARLES WHITAKER

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)(P)

DATE: 1/11/72

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

*Sub 31*

SUBJECT: NORJAK  
RE: DONALD ALLEN BRENNAN, aka  
Donald Allen Brennen, Sub. 31.

Re memo of SA [REDACTED], 1/3/72.

On 1/10/72, [REDACTED] Operator's License Section, DMV, Olympia, Washington, advised his records reflect a Washington Driver's License #BR-EN-ND-A68603 in the name DONALD ALLEN BRENNAN, Rt. 13, Box 404, Olympia, Washington, born 9/23/32, white male, 6'4", 200#, blue eyes.

[REDACTED] furnished two copies of the above driver's license, and it was noted that his name had been misspelled on the license as being BRENNEN and the driver's license number was BR-EN-ND-A68\*03 instead of [REDACTED]. These copies are attached for whatever action deemed necessary.

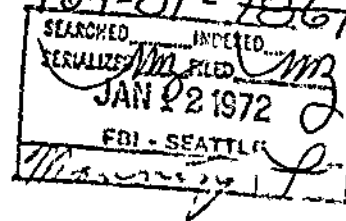
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[REDACTED] M 09-23-32 \*EXP72 TST73 ISSUE 100870  
EYE BLU WGT 200 HGT 6.04 \*LT L1702811010057 LTC150  
BRENNAN, DONALD ALLEN \*CMT 0 SRT 0 SELWK 7230  
RT 13 BOX 404 \*SOC 401- -0081 S/B  
OLYMPIA WA 98501 34 \*FR# 000000-0000 TRL 16  
RESTR 000000 ENDR 00000 \*MIC 00702810057 DWI 00  
7R-NONE \*OLD REC 00  
3R-NONE P020V02D12A01C00R00FTA 00

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DI CLR 1FFL 671011 671011 DR NONE  
SR REL 69 690507 690507 FR NONE

BRENNAN, DONALD ALLEN BRENN D A 68603 ALRT  
RT 13 BOX 404 EXP 72 DATE 01/07/72  
OLYMPIA WA 98501 BIRTH 09/23/32 REL

04/07/66 05/07/69 5E DEPARTMENT OCCUPATIONAL  
04/07/66 05/07/69 5BA0 DIRECTOR  
05/07/66 05/07/69 6B REINSTATE  
08/31/66 05/07/69 5NA0 CANCELLED INSURANCE  
12/09/66 05/07/69 6B REINSTATE  
04/04/67 OVER LIMIT 15 TO 29 MPH CHEHALIS 621 015N  
08/12/67 OVER LIMIT 15 TO 29 MPH ABERDEEN 614 015N  
10/11/67 10/11/67 1FFL WARNING LETTER  
12/19/67 05/07/69 5NA0 CANCELLED INSURANCE  
12/27/67 05/07/69 6BA0 REINSTATE  
03/30/68 05/07/69 5NA0 CANCELLED INSURANCE  
05/17/68 05/07/69 6BA0 REINSTATE  
09/04/68 05/07/69 5NA0 CANCELLED INSURANCE  
05/07/69 05/07/69 6Z RELEASE



SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)(P)

1/3/72

SA [REDACTED]

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NORJAK

RE: DON BRENNAN, Sub. 31)

Re: Seattle memo of SPC [REDACTED]

11/26/71.

The following investigation was conducted on December 14, 1971, by SA [REDACTED]

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AT CENTRALIA, WASHINGTON

[REDACTED], Washington, advised that [REDACTED] worked with him at [REDACTED], Washington. [REDACTED] (LNU) has since moved to The Dalles, Oregon. [REDACTED] advised that BRENNAN was a smokejumper in Oregon and Montana and an ex-parachuter in the service and is "crazy" enough to hijack a plane. [REDACTED] described BRENNAN as a white male, age late 30s or early 40s, fair complected, 6', 185 pounds.

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Records of the Centralia, Washington Police Department reflect that a DONALD ALLEN BRENNAN, Centralia, Washington, dob 9/23/32, blond hair, blue eyes, 6'3", 195 pounds, was arrested on 12/19/67, and charged with drunk and disorderly.

[REDACTED], Lewis County Washington, Sheriff's Office, advised that DONALD BRENNAN was suspected of being both a user and seller of narcotics in the Centralia, Washington area. [REDACTED] was unable to recall BRENNAN's physical appearance.

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[REDACTED], U.S. Post Office, Centralia, Washington, advised that his records reflect a DONALD BRENNAN moved out of Apt. 2, Palasades Apartments, Centralia, Washington, on July 7, 1969, leaving no forwarding address.

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[REDACTED], Lewis County Credit Bureau, Centralia, Washington, reflect that DONALD BRENNAN presently resides at Route 15, Box 196, Olympia, Washington.

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At Olympia, Washington

Will conduct logical investigation to determine if  
DON BRENNAN is identical with hijacker.

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 11/26/71

FROM : SPC [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT: UNSUB;  
N.W. Airlines Flight #305,  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING;  
EXTORTION  
OO: Seattle

At 6:20 PM, 11/26/71, [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED], Wash., home phone [REDACTED], advised UNSUB may be  
one DON BRENNER. BRENNER was a smoke jumper in Oregon  
and Montana and an ex-parachuter in the 101st Airborne during  
the Korean War. He may now live in Centralia, Wash., and  
[REDACTED] believes he was once in prison, place unknown. [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] resides in The Dalles, Oregon.

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[REDACTED] said the physical description of UNSUB fits BRENNER  
except BRENNER has red hair.

It is believed the only reason [REDACTED] thinks BRENNER  
hijacked the plane is because he, BRENNER, is a parachuter  
and [REDACTED] has heard [REDACTED], tell of what a  
[REDACTED] was employed at the  
[REDACTED] (LNU) [REDACTED] ago.

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[REDACTED] can be reached through [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] Phone  
number is [REDACTED]

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TO PORTLAND (164-41)

FROM SEATTLE (164-81) 1P

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RE PORTLAND TELETYPE DECEMBER TWELVE LAST.

RE [REDACTED]

DISCONTINUE RE [REDACTED] AS HE HAS BEEN ELIMINATED AS SUSPECT.

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NR 005 PD PLAIN

7:10 URGENT 12-17-71 LJQ

TO: SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: PORTLAND (164-41) 1P

NORJAK

RE LOS ANGELES TELETYPE TO SEATTLE, BUTTE, PORTLAND, HONOLULU,  
NEW YORK, SAN FRANCISCO AND CINCINNATI, DECEMBER ONE SEVENTYONE.

SUSPECT:

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PORTLAND LEADS STILL OUTSTANDING FOR SUSPECT. ADVISE  
PORTLAND IF  IS STILL SUSPECT. PENDING.

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

12/3/71

SAC, HONOLULU (164-85) (~~164-85~~)-P-

UNSUB;  
Northwest Airlines Flight 305,  
Portland, Oregon  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING  
OO: Seattle

Re Honolulu teletype to Bureau and Seattle,  
12/1/71.

Enclosed for Seattle are nine copies each of  
six FD-302's and one administrative and two investigative  
inserts reflecting investigation conducted by the Honolulu  
Division.

*Eliminate*

② - Seattle (Enc. 81)  
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[redacted] advised that he was employed by  
[redacted]

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[redacted] said that to his knowledge there were  
[redacted]

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[redacted] said that he vaguely recalls an individual  
who might be identical to [redacted]  
[redacted]  
however, because of the time lapse, he cannot be positive  
that he recalls this individual.

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[redacted] said that [redacted]  
and might recall information [redacted]

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Interviewed on 11/29/71 at Honolulu, Hawaii File # HN 164-85

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by SA THEODORE F. BRUHL/key Date dictated 11/30/71

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[redacted]  
[redacted] advised this firm entered bankruptcy several years ago, and pertinent records were furnished by him to a Federal bankruptcy referee whose name he no longer recalls. [redacted] said that it is his recollection that he disposed of personnel records of the firm at this time.

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[redacted] was employed as a  
[redacted]

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[redacted] as about five feet eight or nine inches tall, 165-170 pounds, [redacted]  
[redacted]

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[redacted] said he has not heard of [redacted]  
[redacted]

[redacted] said while [redacted] lived in [redacted] address was un-  
known.

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[redacted] was asked if he could recall [redacted]  
[redacted]

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Interviewed on 11/29/71 at [redacted] Hawaii File # 164-81-969  
HN 164-85

by SA THEODORE F. BRUHL/key Date dictated 11/30/71

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[REDACTED]

at that time.

[REDACTED] said that he has no idea where [REDACTED]  
might be; however, he is [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] may know his  
whereabouts.

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

1Date of transcription 12/3/71[redacted]  
[redacted]  
advised [redacted]  
[redacted]b6  
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to her.

[redacted] was unknown

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b7DInterviewed on 11/29/71 at Honolulu, Hawaii File # HN 164-85by SA THEODORE F. BRUHL/key Date dictated 11/30/71 *mm*

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

1Date of transcription 12/3/71

Mrs. [redacted] Federal Aviation Administration, advised her records disclosed only a letter on stationery of Hawaiian Air Tour Service (HATS) dated August, 1967, stating that [redacted] had Pilot Certificate No. [redacted] and in the opinion of officials of HATS, [redacted] was well qualified as a pilot.

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b7C per FAA

[redacted]  
Interviewed on 11/29/71 at Honolulu, Hawaii File # 164-81-967 HN 164-85  
by SA THEODORE F. BRUHL/key Date dictated 11/30/71

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1Date of transcription 12/3/71

[redacted]  
[redacted], advised that he recalled [redacted] as  
[redacted]

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[redacted] said [redacted]  
[redacted]

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make these records available on November 30, 1971.

[redacted]  
Interviewed on 11/29/71 at Honolulu, Hawaii File # HN 164-85  
by SA THEODORE F. BRUHL/key Date dictated 11/30/71

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[redacted]  
[redacted] advised his records contained information  
that on [redacted] application for  
employment [redacted]

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[redacted] listed the following employments:

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HN 164-85 <sup>b7C</sup>  
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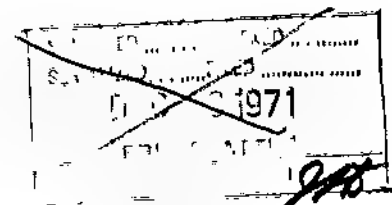
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[redacted] left his employment [redacted]  
[redacted]

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[redacted] said this file contained a letter dated  
[redacted]

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DB COOPER-44527

HN 164-85

TFB:key

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ADMINISTRATIVE:

The following investigation was conducted at Honolulu, Hawaii, by SA THEODORE F. BRUHL on November 29, 1971:

[redacted]  
who provided information set forth in an FD-302, was contacted telephonically for an appointment to discuss [redacted]

[redacted] contacted Honolulu FBI Office to verify the contacting agent's employment.

During the interview she stated, [redacted]  
[redacted]  
[redacted]

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[redacted]  
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[initials]  
[initials]

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DB COOPER 44528

HN 164-85

TFB:key

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The following investigation was conducted at Honolulu, Hawaii, by SA THEODORE F. BRUHL on November 29, 1971:

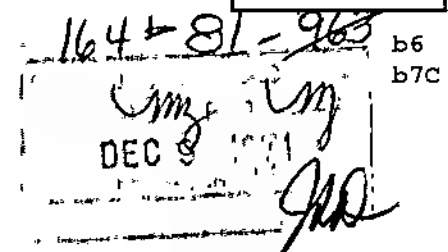
[redacted] Identification Division, Honolulu Police Department (HPD), caused a review to be made of the records of the HPD, which is a central depository for all police records on the Island of Oahu. She was unable to locate information identifiable with [redacted]

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[redacted] Department of Motor Vehicles, State of Hawaii, caused a check to be made of the central records based on a name only search. He was unable to locate a record for [redacted] registering an automobile in Hawaii or having a State of Hawaii driver's license.

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TFB:key  
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The following investigation was conducted at Honolulu, Hawaii, by SA THEODORE F. BRUHL on December 1, 1971:

[redacted] Records Division, Honolulu Police Department, rechecked her files for a criminal record for [redacted]

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[redacted] No record could be located.

[redacted] then caused a check to be made of the general indices of the department. No identifiable references were located for either [redacted]

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This complaint, recorded under [redacted] contained the information that [redacted]

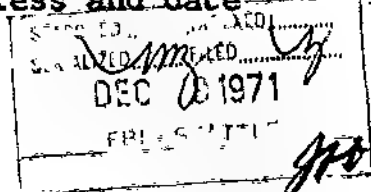
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[redacted] State of Hawaii, Department of Motor Vehicles, Driver's License Section, advised all driver licenses maintained by the State of Hawaii are identified by the operator's Social Security Number.

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[redacted] rechecked all operator permits maintained by the State of Hawaii for the subject by address and date

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of birth. He also caused a check to be made by name and address for [REDACTED]. No record could be located.

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[REDACTED] advised she has lived at this address since approximately [REDACTED]. She advised that she could recall that several years ago [REDACTED], whose name could have been [REDACTED], resided in one of the first floor apartments for a short time. She could recall no other information concerning him or his family.

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[REDACTED] checked records she maintains for the building and could find no reference to [REDACTED]. She advised that the building has become quite transitory in nature. She could think of no one living in the building at the present time who was there in [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] said the building was a condominium; however, most residents of the building lease apartments from individual owners of apartments.

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[REDACTED] advised her records contained only the information that on [REDACTED]

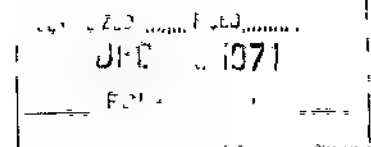
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[REDACTED] said that there were two pieces of correspondence concerning the apartment which were addressed [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] was of the opinion that [REDACTED] may have managed the apartment [REDACTED]. However, there are no records available to verify her opinion.

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HN 164-85

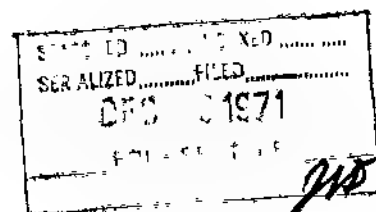
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[redacted] said that according to her records

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DB COOPER 44532

NR 007 MP PLAIN

5:41 PM NITEL 12/7/71 CMH

TO DIRECTOR (164-2111)

SUB - TICKET  
" - EVIDENCE

~~KANSAS CITY~~

LAS VEGAS

NEWARK

NEW YORK (164-627)

NORFOLK

PORTLAND

RICHMOND

SEATTLE (164-81)

SPRINGFIELD (164-31)

WFO

HOUSTON

FROM MINNEAPOLIS (164-73)

SOSP.

*Ben Leiber - 50*  
*- EG*

*Donald Otis Burnworth*

*Ronald Lee White - 10*

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO  
SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR SEVENTYONE. CAA DASH HIJACKING;  
EXTORTION. OO: SEATTLE.

RE NEW YORK TELETYPE TO DIRECTOR DECEMBER THREE LAST,  
NORFOLK TELETYPE TO DIRECTOR DECEMBER THREE LAST, SEATTLE  
NITEL NOVEMBER THIRTY LAST AND SPRINGFIELD TELETYPE TO  
DIRECTOR DECEMBER ONE LAST.

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NR 013 SE PLAINTEXT

11:59PM NITEL 12/6/71 TIM

TO ALEXANDRIA

BUTTE

CINCINNATI

HONOLULU (VIA WASHINGTON, D.C.)

LOS ANGELES

MIAMI

NEW YORK

OKLAHOMA CITY

SAN FRANCISCO

WFO

FROM SEATTLE (164-81)

UNSUB; AKA DAN COOPER, NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTY-FOUR, SEVENTYONE. CAA-  
HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO: SEATTLE.

RE:

PHOTOGRAPH OF CASE EXHIBITED TO THREE WITNESSES AT SEATTLE  
WHO ADVISED  NOT IDENTICAL TO UNSUB. ALL OFFICES DISCONTINUE  
RE CASE. -P-

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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DB COOPER 44536

NR 002 SF PLAIN

1115AM URGENT 12-6-71 DEP

TO SEATTLE (164-81)

MIAMI (164-552)

FROM SAN FRANCISCO (164-220)

UNSUB; NORTHWEST ORIENT AIRLINES, FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTY FOUR, LAST, CRIME ABOARD  
AIRCRAFT - HIJACKING.

RE MIAMI TELETYPE DATED DECEMBER TWO LAST.

RE SUSPECT [REDACTED]

RECORDS OF [REDACTED]

REFLECT THAT

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DB COOPER 44537

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/6/71

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT: UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES  
FLIGHT 305, 11/24/71  
CAA-HIJACKING; EXTORTION

On 11/24/71 SA [REDACTED] contacted [REDACTED]

telephone [REDACTED]

telephone [REDACTED].

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SA [REDACTED] exhibited to [REDACTED] a group of photographs, including that of [REDACTED], a suspect in the instant matter.

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[REDACTED] eliminated this suspect, based upon his recollection of the hijacker in this case.

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cc  
1-164-81 [REDACTED]  
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)

DATE: 12/6/71

FROM : SA LOUIS M. HARRIS, JR.

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES  
FLIGHT #305,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: SEATTLE  
BUfile 164-2111

on 12/2/71 [redacted]  
[redacted], was shown  
a group of photographs which contained a photo of  
[redacted] [redacted] advised  
that this individual is not identical with his  
recollection of the hijacker in this case.

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LMH

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1-164-81 [redacted]

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[redacted]  
164-81-683  
DEC 10 1971  
[initials]

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12/1/71

AIRTEL

AIR MAIL

TO: SAC, SEATTLE  
FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (164-497) (P)  
RE: UNSUB;  
HIJACKING OF NORTHWEST ORIENT AIRLINES  
FLIGHT NUMBER 305  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: Seattle

Re Cincinnati teletype to the Bureau, copies to  
Los Angeles and Seattle, dated 12/1/71.

RE: [REDACTED]

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Enclosed for Seattle is one photograph of [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] obtained from the files of the Orange County Sheriff's  
Office, Santa Ana, California, on 11/30/71. [REDACTED] described  
as a white male American, born [REDACTED],  
5'10", 165 pounds, blond hair, blue eyes, medium build,  
medium complexion.

Results of investigation at Los Angeles regarding  
[REDACTED] being submitted via nitel this date.

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Facsimile copies of photograph provided to Seattle  
12/1/71.

2 - Seattle (Encl. 1) (AM - SPECIAL DELIVERY)  
2 - Los Angeles

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DB COOPER 44540

12/3/71

AIRTEL

AIRMAIL

TO : SAC, MINNEAPOLIS  
FROM : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)  
SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT, aka  
Dan Cooper  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT #305  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: Seattle

RE:

Reference Miami teletype to Bureau dated 12/2/71.

Enclosed for Minneapolis is one (1) photo of

during period November 21 through November 26, 1971. Miami is requested to display photographs to witnesses prior to interview of .

On December 3, 1971, photo shown to two witnesses at Seattle who did not identify  as Unsub.

LEAD

MINNEAPOLIS  
At Minneapolis, Minnesota

Display photo of  to witnesses and advise Seattle and Miami of results by teletype.

- 2 - Minneapolis (Enc. 1)
- 1 - Miami
- 2 - Seattle

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DB COOPER-44541

164-81-659

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/3/71

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES  
FLIGHT #305,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: SEATTLE  
BUFILE 164-2111

RE: SUSPECTS [REDACTED]

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DAVID GEORGE ALLEN  
LAWERANCE EDWARD FRANK  
BEN LEIBSON  
[REDACTED]

Witness CORD HARMS SPRECKEL was shown pictures of the above noted suspects. SPRECKEL could not positively identify any of the photographs as that of the hijacker. He said that all of the people shown in the photographs could be eliminated in his opinion with the exception of [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] He said that [REDACTED] resembled the hijacker in photos numbered 5 and 6. He said that in photo #5 [REDACTED] is sitting in a manner much like the way the hijacker was sitting on the plane. He said that although there is a good resemblance in the photograph he could not positively identify [REDACTED] as the hijacker unless he say him in person.

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[REDACTED]

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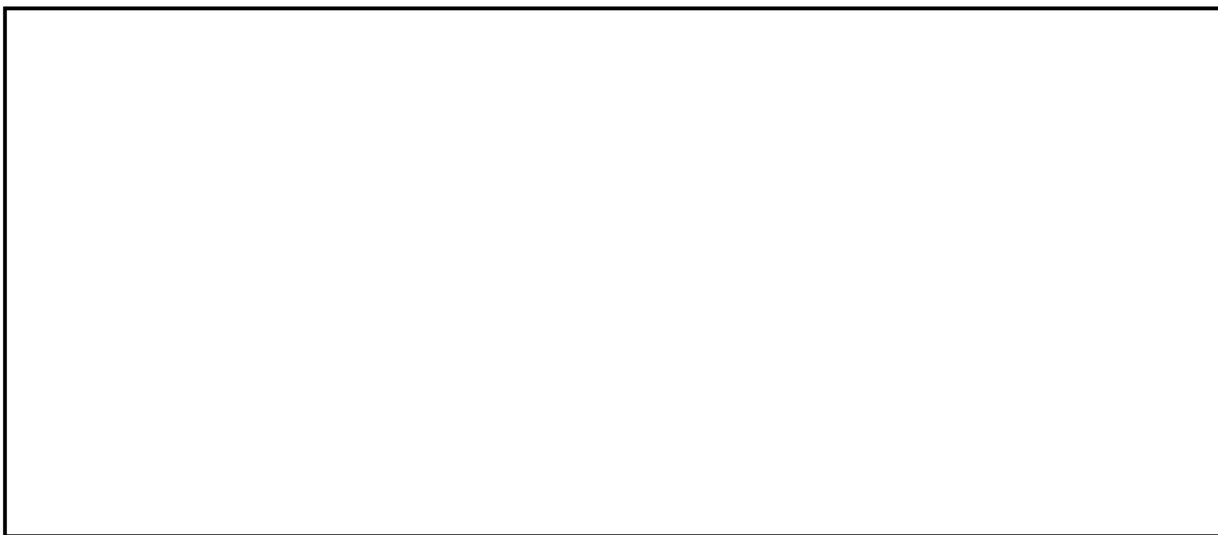
12/1/71

AIRTEL

TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-31)  
FROM: SAC, WFO (164-169) (P)

UNSUB; Northwest Airlines  
Flight 305, 11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING  
(OO:SE)

ReWFO teletype to Bureau, DE, LA and SE, dated 11/30/71.

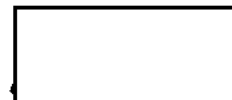


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UNSUB CONSIDERED DANGEROUS.

② - Seattle (Enc. 4)  
1 - WFO

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NR018 MM PLAIN

754PM NITEL 12-2-71 JMS

TO DIRECTOR 164-2111

NEW YORK

SAN FRANCISCO

SEATTLE

FROM MIAMI 164-552 2P

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE,  
NOVEMBER TWENTY-FOUR, SEVENTY ONE, CAA - HIJACKING, OO: SEATTLE.

RE SAN FRANCISCO TELETYPE TO SEATTLE, DECEMBER ONE,  
SEVENTY ONE, AND MIAMI TELEPHONE CALLS TO SAN FRANCISCO AND  
NEW YORK, DECEMBER TWO, SEVENTY ONE.

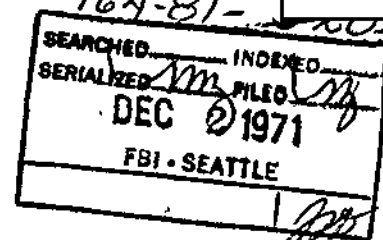
INVESTIGATION MIAMI HAS DISCLOSED [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] IS RETURNING TO MIAMI THIS  
PM AT UNSPECIFIED TIME [REDACTED] FLIGHT FROM [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] CHECKED [REDACTED] MIAMI INTERNATIONAL  
AIRPORT NOVEMBER TWENTY-NINE, SEVENTY ONE, AND NOW [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] MIAMI, SEES  
SLIGHT RESEMBLANCE OF [REDACTED] TO ARTIST CONCEPTION. ANOTHER  
SEES NO RESEMBLANCE. SAN FRANCISCO OBTAIN DETAILS OF DATES  
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AND PLACES OF [REDACTED] FOR AT LEAST ALL  
OF OCTOBER AND NOVEMBER, NINETEEN SEVENTY ONE. FOR BUREAU'S  
INFORMATION, SAN FRANCISCO TODAY DETERMINED FROM [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] FOR PERIOD NOVEMBER TWENTY-  
ONE, TO NOVEMBER TWENTY-SIX, SEVENTY ONE. NEW YORK OBTAIN  
PHOTOGRAPH OF [REDACTED] AND BACKGROUND AT [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] AND EXPEDITE TO SEATTLE FOR  
VIEWING BY PERTINENT WITNESSES. SEATTLE PROMPTLY SHOW PHOTO-  
GRAPH OF [REDACTED] TO APPROPRIATE WITNESSES AFTER RECEIPT OF  
SAME AND ADVISE MIAMI OF RESULTS. MIAMI WILL DELAY INTERVIEW  
OF [REDACTED] UNTIL RESULTS RECEIVED.

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END

JJT FBI SE G CLR

DB COOPER-44567

11/30/71

AIRTEL

TO: SAC, SEATTLE  
FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (164-NEW) (RUC)  
SUBJECT: UNSUB  
Northwest Airlines 727  
Portland, Oregon  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING  
(OO: SE)

ReHNNitel to NY, 11/29/71.

Enclosed for Seattle is a Xerox copy of an application for employment with [redacted]

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[redacted]. Background information, [redacted], is set forth in the application and a facsimile photo appears on the upper right hand corner thereon.

Also enclosed for Seattle are nine copies of an FD 302 showing an application for employment being made available by [redacted]

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[redacted] advised on 11/30/71 that [redacted]

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1 - New York  
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*[signature]*

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NY 164-NEW

[redacted]  
[redacted]

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[redacted]

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[redacted] could recall no [redacted]  
[redacted]

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[redacted] advised [redacted]  
[redacted]

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[redacted] could furnish no further pertinent information  
[redacted]

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Leads regarding interview of [redacted] are being left to  
the discretion of the office of origin.



## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

1.Date 11/30/71

[redacted] made available  
a Xerox copy of application for employment to [redacted]  
[redacted]

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*application in file  
main 164-81 pto  
only - Jan 528*

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On 11/30/71 at Jamaica, New York File # NY 164

by SA [redacted] Date dictated 11/30/71

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159PM URGENT 12-3-71 CLS

TO DIRECTOR 164-2111 ATTN: IDENTIFICATION DIVISION

SEATTLE

FROM MIAMI 164-552 2P

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE; NOVEMBER  
TWENTYFOUR, SEVENTYONE. CAA - HIJACKING. OO: SEATTLE.

RE MIAMI NITEL TO DIRECTOR, DEC. THREE, SEVENTYONE.

MIAMI ANTICIPATES INTERVIEWING [REDACTED] AS A  
POSSIBLE SUSPECT THIS INVESTIGATION AFTER SEATTLE DISPLAYS  
HIS PHOTO TO APPROPRIATE WITNESSES.

PAST BUREAU INVESTIGATION HAS DISCLOSED [REDACTED] ALLEGEDLY  
ARRESTED [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] DETAILS AND DISPOSITION OF THESE

[REDACTED] NOT KNOWN.

IDENTIFICATION DIVISION REQUESTED TO SUTEL MIAMI WITH  
SUMMARY OF RECORD OF [REDACTED] WHO WAS BORN [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] CURRENTLY EMPLOYED [REDACTED]

[REDACTED], MIAMI, AS [REDACTED]. PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION:

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FIVE POUNDS; BLONDE HAIR; BLUE EYES; MEDIUM COMPLEXION.

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FBI SEATTLE CLR

NR 030 LA PLAIN

11:59 PM NITEL 12-1-71 RWM

TO SEATTLE (164-81)

BUTTE (164-26)

PORTLAND (164-41)

HONOLULU (164-85) VIA WASHINGTON

NEW YORK

SAN FRANCISCO

CINCINNATI (164-55)

FROM LOS ANGELES (164-497) 8P.

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,

NOVEMBER TWENTY FOUR LAST, CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION.

RE CINCINNATI TELETYPE TO BUREAU NOVEMBER THIRTY LAST;  
BUTTE TELETYPE TO LOS ANGELES AND SEATTLE DATED NOVEMBER  
THIRTY LAST; PORTLAND TELETYPE TO LOS ANGELES AND SEATTLE  
DATED NOVEMBER THIRTY LAST, AND LOS ANGELES AIRTEL TO SEATTLE  
DATED DECEMBER ONE INSTANT.

RE: SUSPECT

ON NOVEMBER THIRTY LAST, DETECTIVE

CALIFORNIA, POLICE DEPARTMENT, ADVISED  CASE UNKNOWN

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TO OFFICERS THAT AGENCY AND FILES CONTAIN NO RECORD IDENTIFIABLE WITH [REDACTED].

ON SAME DATE [REDACTED]

[REDACTED], ADVISED [REDACTED] IS ONLY OPERATION CURRENTLY LOCATED AT AIRPORT. [REDACTED] HAS BEEN

[REDACTED] AIRPORT [REDACTED] YEARS AND KNOWS NO ONE

IDENTIFIABLE WITH [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] YEARS AND [REDACTED]

INTERVIEWED AND CAN NOT RECALL ANYONE IDENTIFIABLE WITH [REDACTED].

[REDACTED] ADVISES LAST OUTFIT ASSOCIATED WITH SPORT JUMPING AT AIRPORT CALLED PARACHUTES, INC. THIS GROUP DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS LOCALLY SIXTY TWO OR SIXTY THREE, AND [REDACTED] BELIEVES GROUP CURRENTLY OPERATING IN ORANGE, MASSACHUSETTS.

ON THE SAME DATE, RECORDS OF THE ORANGE COUNTY, CALIFORNIA, SHERIFF'S OFFICE, SANTA ANA, CALIFORNIA, REVEALED FILE NUMBER

[REDACTED], DESCRIBED

AS FOLLOWS:

MALE, WHITE, AMERICAN, BORN [REDACTED]

AT [REDACTED], CALIFORNIA, FIVE FEET TEN INCHES TALL, ONE HUNDRED SIXTY FIVE POUNDS, BLOND HAIR, BLUE EYES, MEDIUM BUILD, MEDIUM

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[REDACTED], EMPLOYER [REDACTED]

[REDACTED], CALIFORNIA, RESIDENCE [REDACTED], CALIFORNIA

AS OF [REDACTED]

[REDACTED], CALIFORNIA AS OF

APRIL [REDACTED], MOTHER [REDACTED]

[REDACTED], CALIFORNIA, FBI NUMBER [REDACTED]

[REDACTED], CII NUMBER [REDACTED]

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SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER [REDACTED]

[REDACTED], FINGERPRINT CLASSIFICATION [REDACTED]

[REDACTED], PREVIOUS ARRESTS

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED], CALIFORNIA, POLICE DEPARTMENT NUMBER [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]; MILITARY SERVICE, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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ON DECEMBER ONE INSTANT [REDACTED], SUPERIOR COURT,  
LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA, REVEALED THAT [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] IN SUPERIOR COURT, LONG BEACH,  
CALIFORNIA.

ON SAME DATE, [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED], CALIFORNIA.

PHOTOGRAPHS OF [REDACTED] OBTAINED, FACSIMILE  
FURNISHED SEATTLE DIVISION AND PHOTOGRAPH SENT AIR MAIL  
SPECIAL DELIVERY INSTANT DATE.

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RE: SUSPECT MICHAEL CHARLES SULLIVAN

ON DECEMBER ONE INSTANT, MICHAEL CHARLES SULLIVAN, BORN DECEMBER FOURTEEN FORTY AT KELLOGG, IDAHO, LOCATED AND INTERVIEWED AT RESIDENCE IN PASADENA, CALIFORNIA. SULLIVAN DISPLAYED PASSPORT AND SALES SLIPS TO VERIFY HIS PRESENCE IN JAPAN DURING PERTINENT PERIOD. SULLIVAN ABROAD FROM NOVEMBER TWENTY ONE LAST UNTIL RETURN TO PASADENA DECEMBER ONE INSTANT AND ACCOMPANIED BY [REDACTED] DURING ENTIRE TRIP.

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RE: SUSPECT [REDACTED]

RECORDS [REDACTED] COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE, [REDACTED], CALIFORNIA, REVEALED [REDACTED], BORN [REDACTED], WAS ARRESTED BY ABOVE AGENCY ON NOVEMBER TWENTY FIVE LAST AT [REDACTED], WHEN OBSERVED [REDACTED] [REDACTED], CALIFORNIA. [REDACTED] ADVISED PICK UP TRUCK STUCK IN SAND AND HE WAS SEEKING HELP. [REDACTED] RELEASED FROM CUSTODY SAME DATE AS INTENT COULD NOT BE ESTABLISHED.

ON NOVEMBER [REDACTED] LAST HE WAS AGAIN ARRESTED BY SAME AGENCY WHEN OBSERVED PARKED IN GREEN CHEVROLET PICK UP BEARING OREGON LICENSE [REDACTED] REMOVED BY OFFICERS TO [REDACTED] HOSPITAL [REDACTED].

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RECORDS OF ABOVE AGENCY SHOWS LOCAL RESIDENCE OF

[REDACTED]  
CALIFORNIA. [REDACTED] INTERVIEWED BY SPECIAL AGENT THIS DATE  
AT ABOVE ADDRESS AND STATES [REDACTED] ARRIVED  
[REDACTED] LAST,

DRIVING GREEN PICK UP TRUCK. [REDACTED]  
OREGON, AND STATES CLOSE ACQUAINTANCE OF [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] ADVISED

[REDACTED] NOVEMBER TWENTY THREE LAST AND  
DROVE DIRECTLY TO [REDACTED] ARRIVING ABOUT TWO A.M., ON  
NOVEMBER TWENTY FIVE LAST. [REDACTED]  
RESIDENCE UNTIL MORNING OF NOVEMBER TWENTY FIVE LAST, WHEN  
[REDACTED] OBSERVED SIGHTS IN [REDACTED] AREA INCLUDING  
[REDACTED].

ABOUT [REDACTED] LAST, [REDACTED] LEFT RESIDENCE  
ALONE TO [REDACTED] AND WAS UNAWARE OF [REDACTED]  
ACTIVITIES [REDACTED]. HE STATES S CONVERSATION WITH [REDACTED]  
REVEALED NO STATEMENTS OR ANYTHING UNUSUAL ABOUT [REDACTED].

[REDACTED] ADVISED HE WAS AWARE [REDACTED]  
INSTANT DATE AL [REDACTED] SECRET SERVICE AGENT, LOS  
ANGELES, ADVISED HE SEARCHED VEHICLE DESCRIBED AS CHEVROLET  
PICK UP BEARING OREGON LICENSE [REDACTED] FOLLOWING  
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ARREST OF [ ] BY [ ] SHERIFF'S OFFICE ON NOVEMBER  
TWENTY FIVE LAST. STATED ONLY ITEMS FOUND IN SEARCH WERE  
SEVERAL SMALL HAND TOOLS. SECRET SERVICE INTEREST IN [ ]  
DUE TO SECURITY OF PRESIDENT NIXON UPON ARRIVAL AT [ ]  
[ ] ON NOVEMBER TWENTY FIVE LAST.

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[ ] WHEREABOUTS ESTABLISHED IN [ ] WITHIN  
FEW HOURS AFTER HIJACKING AND HE WAS DRIVING SAME VEHICLE  
WHICH DEPARTED [ ] ON NOVEMBER TWENTY THREE LAST. NO  
FURTHER INVESTIGATION BEING CONDUCTED.

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RE: PARACHUTE CLUBS, LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA.

ON NOVEMBER THIRTY LAST, [ ]

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[ ], CALIFORNIA, FOR THE PURPOSE OF [ ]

[ ] SKY DIVER MAGAZINE, ADVISED [ ]

RESIDES [ ], CALIFORNIA,

RESIDENCE NEGATIVE THIS DATE.

INSTANT DATE, [ ] TELEPHONICALLY CONTACTED LOS ANGELES  
OFFICE AND INTERVIEW ARRANGED FOR PURPOSE OF OBTAINING ALL  
INFORMATION AVAILABLE RE PARACHUTE CLUBS, OBTAINED [ ]

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[ ] INFORMATION  
RE LOCATION AND MEMBERSHIP OF [ ] AND FURNISH

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ARTISTS SKETCH AND DESCRIPTIVE DATA ON UNKNOWN SUBJECT THIS  
MATTER IN EFFORT TO DEVELOP SUSPECTS.

[REDACTED] IN UNITED STATES,  
CONSIDERED AUTHORITY IN HIS FIELD AND HAS INDICATED WILLINGNESS  
TO COOPERATE IN ANY WAY POSSIBLE.

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PORTLAND AND SEATTLE DISCONTINUE REGARDING [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

BUTTE AND SEATTLE DISCONTINUE REGARDING MICHAEL CHARLES  
SULLIVAN.

LOS ANGELES, INTENSIVE INVESTIGATION BEING CONDUCTED TO  
LOCATE [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] AT LONG BEACH FOR INTERVIEW.

LOS ANGELES WILL FOLLOW, SET OUT APPROPRIATE LEADS AND  
CONDUCT INVESTIGATION BASED ON RESULTS OF EXTENSIVE INTERVIEW  
OF [REDACTED] AND EXAMINATION OF AVAILABLE PHOTOGRAPHS  
AND MEMBERSHIP RECORDS IN HIS POSSESSION.

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4:23 PM URGENT 12/1/71 MCC

TO SEATTLE (164-81) MIAMI  
HONOLULU (164-85) VIA WASH LOS ANGELES  
NEW YORK CINCINNATI (164-55)  
FROM SAN FRANCISCO (164-220) 2P

UNKNOWN SUBJECT; NORTHWEST ORIENT AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO  
FIVE, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR LAST, CRIME ABOARD  
AIRCRAFT - HIJACKING.

RE OKLAHOMA CITY TELETYPE NOVEMBER THIRTY LAST, BUREAU AIRTEL  
TO ALL OFFICES EXCEPT SEATTLE, PORTLAND, AND LAS VEGAS, DATED  
NOVEMBER TWENTYNINE LAST, ENCLOSING ARTIST'S CONCEPTION OF  
UNKNOWN SUBJECT.

FOR INFORMATION MIAMI, [REDACTED], HAS BEEN DESCRIBED  
AS A LOOK-ALIKE TO ARTIST'S CONCEPTION OF UNKNOWN SUBJECT. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] AND TERRAIN COVERED BY FLIGHT. HE IS  
[REDACTED]

IS DESCRIBED AS FIVE FEET ELEVEN INCHES, ONE SIX TWO POUNDS, BLOND  
HAIR, BLUE EYES, DATE OF BIRTH [REDACTED]

[REDACTED], CALIFORNIA, EMPLOYED [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] OAKLAND INTERNATIONAL  
AIRPORT, ADVISED THAT [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] TO RETURN TO  
OAKLAND UNTIL [REDACTED]. HE IS SCHEDULED TO RETURN TO MIAMI  
[REDACTED] TONIGHT, EASTERN STANDARD TIME.

[REDACTED], MIAMI INTERNATIONAL  
AIRPORT, WILL KNOW EXACT TIME OF ARRIVAL OF [REDACTED]  
FLIGHT. [REDACTED] CAN BE CONTACTED AT AREA CODE [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] ALSO ADVISED [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED], FLORIDA, TELEPHONE  
AREA CODE [REDACTED].

MIAMI INTERVIEW [REDACTED] AND ATTEMPT TO OBTAIN PHOTOGRAPH TO  
FURNISH SEATTLE.

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TO DIRECTOR AND SEATTLE (164-81)

SEATTLE VIA WDC

✓ FROM HONOLULU (164-85) (P)

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND, OREGON  
NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR LAST. CAA-HIJACKING OO SE

REHNTEL TO SEATTLE NOVEMBER THIRTY LAST AND CI TEL TO BUREAU  
✓ DECEMBER ONE LAST.

FOLLOWING INVESTIGATION CONDUCTED DECEMBER ONE LAST:

NO RECORD CREDIT BUREAU OF HAWAII FOR [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] OR [REDACTED]

NO ARREST RECORD FOR [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] HONOLULU PD. HPD RECORDS DISCLOSE [REDACTED] COMPLAINANT RE

TWO SEPARATE BREAK IN ATTEMPTS [REDACTED]

[REDACTED], HONOLULU IN SEPT. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] VAGUELY RECALLS

[REDACTED] NO OTHER DETAILS. [REDACTED]

STATED BUILDING TRANSIENT TYPE AND NO ONE ELSE WOULD REMEMBER [REDACTED]

RECORDS [REDACTED]

OF [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] REFLECT [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] LEAVING

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FORWARDING ADDRESS CARE OF [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] N.Y. MAILING ADDRESS IN FILE DURING [REDACTED]

WAS [REDACTED] CARE OF [REDACTED]

[REDACTED].

HAWAII DRIVERS LICENSE RECORDS CONTAIN NO CURRENT LICENSE  
FOR [REDACTED] MENTIONED ABOVE; RECORDS RE HAWAII LICENSE [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] DESTROYED.

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FD THREE ZERO TWOS FOLLOWS.

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ASAC PAUL R. BIBLER

UNSUB, aka Dan Cooper,  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT #305,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,  
11/24/71,  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: SEATTLE  
SEfile 164-81  
BUfile 164-2111

SA C.R. STRANGER called from Los Angeles. He said that they had just put a photo of [redacted] on the facsimile, a photo taken in [redacted]. He said they would follow this up this evening with an airtel setting out results of investigation along with a glossy photo.

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Date: 12/11/71

From: LOS ANGELES (164-499)

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Subject: UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLTY 305

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☐ Other

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TO SEATTLE

FROM NEW YORK (164-627)

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE ELEVEN TWENTYFOUR, SEVENTYONE. CAA-  
HIGHJACKING; EXTORTION. OO: SE

RE CINCINNATI TELETYPE, NOVEMBER THIRTY, SEVENTYONE.

IN VIEW OF INFORMATION FURNISHED IN NEW YORK TELETYPE  
AND AIRTEL DATED NOVEMBER THIRTY, SEVENTY ONE, NEW YORK LEAD IN  
CINCINNATI TELETYPE WILL NOT BE COVERED. IN THE EVENT YOU  
DESIRE COVERAGE, LEAD SHOULD BE DIRECTED TO ALBANY OFFICE,  
IN WHICH EVENT NOTE THAT LICENSE NUMBER AS SET OUT ON PAGE TWO,  
PARAGRAPH NUMBER ONE RE TELETYPE IS [REDACTED]  
ON PAGE FIVE, PARAGRAPH NUMBERS ONE OF RE TELETYPE [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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TO SEATTLE

FROM ALEXANDRIA (164-72) (P)

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES SEVEN TWO SEVEN, PORTLAND, OREGON. ELEVEN  
TWENTYFOUR SEVENTYONE CAA DASH HIJACKING OO: SEATTLE.

RE HONOLULU NITEL NOVEMBER THIRTY.

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TO SEATTLE (164-81) SEATTLE VIA WASHINGTON  
FROM HONOLULU (164-85) (P) 3P

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES SEVEN TWO SEVEN, PORTLAND,  
OREGON, NOVEMBER TWENTY FOUR LAST; CAA DASH HIJACKING;  
OO: SEATTLE.

RE HONOLULU NITEL TO ALEXANDRIA NOVEMBER TWENTY NINE  
LAST.

FOLLOWING INVESTIGATION CONDUCTED NOVEMBER THIRTY  
INSTANT, [REDACTED] CONTAINED

INFORMATION THAT [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] LISTED BY [REDACTED] ARE AS  
FOLLOWS:

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED], CALIFORNIA;

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[REDACTED] CALIFORNIA;

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[REDACTED], CALIFORNIA;

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[REDACTED] HAWAII;

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[REDACTED] CLAIMED DATE OF BIRTH [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED], SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER

[REDACTED] HE

POSSESSED PASSPORT, [REDACTED] HE WAS [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ELEMENTARY EDUCATION AT

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[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] ATTENDED ILLEGIBLE. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] RESIDED AT [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED], CALIFORNIA, VICINITY.

LEADS BASED ON ABOVE INFORMATION LEFT TO DISCRETION  
OF OO BECAUSE INFORMATION HEREIN MAY HAVE BEEN MADE  
AVAILABLE FROM OTHER SOURCES.

INVESTIGATION CONTINUING.

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TO ALEXANDRIA OKLAHOMA CITY HONOLULU  
SAN FRANCISCO SEATTLE, WASHINGTON FIELD  
FROM NEW YORK (164-NEW)

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES SEVEN TWENTY SEVEN, PORTLAND,  
OREGON, ELEVEN TWENTY FOUR SEVENTY ONE. CAA. HIJACKING,  
OO: SEATTLE.

REHNTTEL TO NEW YORK, ELEVEN TWENTY NINE SEVENTY ONE.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED], ADVISES [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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FOLLOW BY AIRTEL.

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TO PHOENIX (164-100) (NITEL)

PORTLAND (164-41) (URGENT)

SEATTLE (164-81) (NITEL)

FROM BUTTE (164-26) (P) 2P

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND  
TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTY FOUR, SEVENTY ONE. CAA - HIJACKING;  
EXTORTION. OO: SEATTLE.

RE PHOENIX NITEL, NOVEMBER TWENTY EIGHT, LAST.

FOR INFO PORTLAND, [REDACTED], IMPERIAL  
COUNTY SO, WINTERHAVEN, CALIFORNIA, ADVISED ARTIST

CONCEPTION OF UNSUB APPEARS QUITE SIMILAR TO A [REDACTED], WHO

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[REDACTED] FOR U. S. FOREST SERVICE (USFS),  
STATES OF WASHINGTON, IDAHO AND OREGON.

RECORDS, REGION ONE, USFS, MISSOULA, MONTANA,  
COVERING WESTERN SOUTH DAKOTA, MONTANA, NORTHERN IDAHO,  
AND WESTERN WASHINGTON, REVEAL [REDACTED] NEVER EMPLOYED REGION ONE.

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REGION SIX, USFS, COVERS REMAINDER OF WASHINGTON

ND

ALL OREGON.

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REGION SIX, USFS, PORTLAND, OREGON, TO DETERMINE IF  EVER  
EMPLOYED.

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1147PM 11/28/71 NITEL JDD

TO BUTTE

HONOLULU - VIA WASHINGTON

LOS ANGELES

OKLAHOMA CITY

SEATTLE

FROM PHOENIX (164-100)

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES SEVEN TWO SEVEN, PORTLAND, OREGON,  
ELEVEN TWENTYFOUR SEVENTYONE. CAA - HIJACKING. OO: SEATTLE.

RE SACRAMENTO TEL ELEVEN TWENTYSIX LAST.

INSTANT DATE, [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED], CALIFORNIA, ADVISED FBI COMPOSITE OF HIJACKER SHOWN ELEVEN  
TWENTYEIGHT SEVENTYONE, SAN DIEGO UNION NEWSPAPER, PAGE A - SIX,  
WAS STRONGLY SIMILAR TO FACIAL FEATURES OF [REDACTED]  
JAW LINE, TOGETHER WITH HIGH FOREHEAD AND HAIRLINE, ARE STRONGLY  
SIMILAR AND ALMOST IDENTICAL TO COMPOSITE PHOTOGRAPH OF SUBJECT.

[REDACTED] MOUTH IS SMALL, SIMILAR TO SUBJECT'S. [REDACTED] WAS KNOWN TO ALWAYS

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WEAR DARK GLASSES, [REDACTED] IS KNOWN TO BE [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] ADVISED LAST SAW [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] ADVISED [REDACTED]

NAME UNKNOWN, [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED], ADVISED [REDACTED]

HE HAS EVER MET. [REDACTED] HAS COMPLETE KNOWLEDGE OF ALL [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] HAS HAD [REDACTED] WHICH INCLUDED: [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] ADVISED [REDACTED] WHILE [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] WOULD HAVE EXCELLENT KNOW-

LEDGE OF [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ADVISED [REDACTED]

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IN [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] THE UNITED STATES AND  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] CALIFORNIA AS OF  
[REDACTED]

WAS INTERESTED IN [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] DESCRIBED AS WHITE, MALE, AMERICAN, MEDIUM COMPLEXION, LIGHT

BLOND HAIR, EYES UNKNOWN, ONE SIXTY POUNDS, FIVE FEET NINE OR TEN,  
THIRTYFIVE TO THIRTYSEVEN YEARS OLD, SLIM BUILD, [REDACTED]  
VOICE.

BUTTE AT MISSOULA, MONTANA, CONTACT [REDACTED] TO  
DETERMINE IF THEY CAN IDENTIFY [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] DURING LATE [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] AND CONDUCT APPROPRIATE INVESTIGATION TO LOCATE [REDACTED]

HONOLULU AT HONOLULU, CONTACT [REDACTED] TO  
DETERMINE BACKGROUND INFORMATION ON [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

LOS ANGELES AT HEMET, CONDUCT APPROPRIATE INVESTIGATION AT [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] TO IDENTIFY AND LOCATE [REDACTED]

IN [REDACTED] AT PALMDALE, CONDUCT SAME INVESTIGATION. AT RESEDA,  
CONDUCT APPROPRIATE INVESTIGATION TO LOCATE AND IDENTIFY [REDACTED]

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WHO LIVED THERE ON [REDACTED] IN EFFORT TO  
LOCATE [REDACTED] AND OBTAIN APPROPRIATE BACKGROUND INFORMATION.

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AT SANTA ANA, CONDUCT CRIMINAL CHECKS AT ORANGE COUNTY SO FOR [REDACTED]

[REDACTED], NOTING HE WAS [REDACTED].

OKLAHOMA CITY AT TULSA, CONTACT FEDERAL AVIATION AGENCY, [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] DIVISION, RE [REDACTED], OBTAIN ALL INFORMATION AND BACKGROUND

ON [REDACTED] WITH SPECIAL ATTENTION TO [REDACTED].

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) [ ] (P)

DATE: 4/12/72

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FROM : SA [ ]

SUBJECT: NORJAK [ ]  
OO: SEATTLE

Re memo SA [ ], 12/15/71.

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After repeated efforts to identify [ ] through revealing the Vancouver Police Department indices cards and Clark County Sheriff's Office records cards were negative, an indices card was located at the Clark County Sheriff's Office re [ ] which reflected that he was arrested and in custody of the Clark County Sheriff's Office, Vancouver, Washington, on 9/4/64. The date of arrest coincides with the information given by [ ] on 12/13/71 that he was in jail at the Clark County Sheriff's Office with [ ] during September, 1964.

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A review of the Clark County Sheriff's Office records revealed the following description of [ ]:

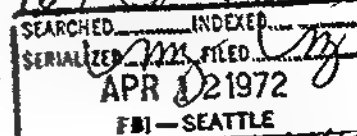
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Name	[ ]
Sex	Male, adult
Race	White
Date of Birth	[ ]
Place of Birth	[ ]
Height	5' 6"
Weight	145 pounds
Hair	Brown
Eyes	Brown
Social Security Account No.	[ ]

In view of [ ] descriptive data, no further investigation is recommended re this suspect.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)

DATE: 1/19/72

FROM : SA THOMAS J. MANNING

SUBJECT: NORJAK

Re Memo of SA [REDACTED] 12/27/71

On 1/18/72 investigation at Woodland, Washington through contacts with individuals who know Suspect [REDACTED] reflected he does not meet physical description of subject in this matter.

In view of above this lead is considered covered with negative results.

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SA [REDACTED]

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NORJAK

RE: SUSPECT DON WILSON, Sub 33

Re Seattle mem o of SA [REDACTED], 12/27/71.

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On January 5, 1972, [REDACTED], Postal Inspector's Office, Tacoma, Washington, advised that [REDACTED] provided a forwarding address on October 28, 1970, from his previous residence in Tacoma to [REDACTED], Washington [REDACTED].

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)

12/27/71

SA [REDACTED]

NORJAK  
CAA-HIJACKING;  
EXTORTION

Re: SUSPECT [REDACTED]

ReSE memo of SA [REDACTED], dated 12/15/71.

On December 17, 1971, the files of the Tacoma Police Department were caused to be searched and produced the following information:

On August 31, 1964, the Tacoma Police Department received a request from Fort Lewis for assistance in locating

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] had Army Serial No. [REDACTED].

On September 30, 1964, the Tacoma Police Department received a teletype from the Clark County Sheriff's Office in Vancouver, Washington. This teletype wanted to know if [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] also known as [REDACTED] was [REDACTED] at the Tacoma Police Department. It advised that [REDACTED] in Vancouver, Washington, on September 4, 1964, [REDACTED]. The teletype requested current status and location of the subject with the understanding that Oregon had a hold on him also.

Also on September 30, 1964, the Tacoma Police Department received a teletype from the Vancouver Sheriff's Office, Vancouver, Washington, advising that [REDACTED] of the Clark County Sheriff's Office [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] to Klamath Falls Sheriff's Office on October 4, 1964.

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The records reflect that a [redacted] also known as [redacted] by the Tacoma Police Department [redacted] has a date of birth of [redacted]; although while using the alias [redacted], a date of birth was given as [redacted]. At the time [redacted] the following identifying information was obtained:

Height:	5'5½"
Weight:	146 pounds
Eyes:	Brown
Hair:	Brown
Complexion:	Medium
FBI Number:	[redacted]
Tattoo:	[redacted]

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[redacted] since July 6, 1964, from Fort Ord, California.

[redacted] on May 15, 1970, in Tacoma, Washington, [redacted]

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[redacted] At the time [redacted] gave a date of birth of [redacted]; an address of [redacted] [redacted], Tacoma, Washington; [redacted]

[redacted] on June 13, 1969, [redacted] At the time [redacted] gave a date of birth [redacted] and a place of birth of [redacted]. There were tattoos with the name [redacted] and many others on both arms.

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[redacted] on December 1, 1967, [redacted] A copy of the Tacoma Police Department photograph of [redacted] taken [redacted] is enclosed.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)

DATE: 12/15/71

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: NORJAK

Suspect [REDACTED]

Re Seattle memo of SA THOMAS J. MANNING, 12/4/71.

[REDACTED], Seattle, Washington, phone [REDACTED], was contacted on 12/13/71, at his place of employment, [REDACTED], Seattle.

[REDACTED] advised that he met the suspect in September, 1964, while both were incarcerated in the Clark County [REDACTED] spent approximately [REDACTED] with [REDACTED] in the County Jail and during this period of time [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] is originally from [REDACTED] area, and had [REDACTED] reportedly served [REDACTED] Penitentiary from [REDACTED] and upon his release received [REDACTED]. During this period of time [REDACTED] also married [REDACTED] (FNU). At approximately this time the suspect [REDACTED], using the false name of [REDACTED] He [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] when they determined his true identity and was picked up in [REDACTED] Washington, by the [REDACTED] Police Department. [REDACTED] was returned to [REDACTED] and was subsequently apprehended by the [REDACTED] Sheriff's Office. According to [REDACTED], [REDACTED] released the suspect. These events occurred between [REDACTED]. During [REDACTED] ten years in the [REDACTED]

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[redacted] (FNU), using his assumed name at [redacted] is uncertain whether or not [redacted] charges were ever filed. He feels however, that Clark County Sheriff's Office has complete details.

[redacted] feels that [redacted] may have committed this hijacking because [redacted] is intelligent, shrewd, used to hang around an airport, name unknown, near [redacted] Washington, has many criminally inclined friends in the [redacted], and is very experienced with [redacted] familiar with terrain [redacted] described [redacted] as follows:

Name	[redacted]
Build	Medium
Age	[redacted] years
Complexion	Dark
Hair	Dark brown
Eyes	Brown
Height	5'10"

It should be noted that [redacted] was unable to provide any information concerning [redacted] parachuting ability and in fact does not know if [redacted] is trained to jump.

#### LEADS

##### SEATTLE

At [redacted] Washington

1. Will conduct criminal check at [redacted], Washington Police Department concerning [redacted] and the names [redacted].

2. If available, obtain suspect's photo.

##### At Vancouver, Washington

Will obtain details of suspect's arrest by Clark County Sheriff's Office in September, 1964, and obtain photo if available.

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At [REDACTED], Washington

Will determine if [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] and determine his whereabouts on  
11/24/71.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)

DATE: 12/4/71

FROM : SA THOMAS J. MANNING

SUBJECT: UNSUB;  
aka/ D. B. COOPER,  
Northwest Airlines Flight #305  
Portland to Seattle, 11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: Seattle

Re SUSPECT [REDACTED]

Re Memo of SPC. [REDACTED], 11/27/71

Investigation by SA [REDACTED] Wn.  
PD and Clark County SO, [REDACTED] reflects a number of [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]. No identifying information on any [REDACTED] to show  
a particular [REDACTED]. In view of  
this inability to identify [REDACTED] the following lead is being  
set for further action:

## LEAD:

### At SEATTLE, WASHINGTON

Recontact [REDACTED]  
Seattle, Wn. phone [REDACTED] for further information to describe  
[REDACTED] and if secured set appropriate lead to have further  
investigation conducted at [REDACTED], Washington.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 11/27/71

FROM : SPC [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT: UNSUB;  
N.W. Airlines Flight #305,  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING;  
EXTORTION  
OO: Seattle

At 6:15 PM, 11/27/71, [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED], Seattle, phone [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED], advised that UNSUB may be one [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] has [REDACTED] from [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED], but was [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]. Possibly was [REDACTED].  
Was [REDACTED] ago. [REDACTED] thinks  
[REDACTED] may be UNSUB because he is described as the "type"  
of person who would do such a thing. He has [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] Clark County SO, and [REDACTED] said [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] were the [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] the state of Washington.

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[REDACTED] has not heard or seen [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] years of age and fits general  
description of UNSUB. [REDACTED] resided [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] Washington, and [REDACTED] at  
one time.

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[REDACTED] says [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
among others.

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

12/6/71

SA [REDACTED]

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UNSUB, aka  
Dan Cooper  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES  
FLIGHT #305  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING;  
EXTORTION  
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RE: [REDACTED]

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Investigation initiated upon receipt of information from [REDACTED] stating that he showed a striking resemblance to artist's conception of Unsub and that he was also [REDACTED] area.

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Records of the Seattle Police Department and King County Sheriff's Office checked on November 30, 1971, failed to produce a record identifiable with [REDACTED].

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Seattle Credit Bureau records checked on December 1, 1971, indicated that in September of 1968, [REDACTED] was [REDACTED]

On December 1, 1971, [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED], Seattle, Washington, was interviewed and advised that [REDACTED]

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DB COOPER 44636  
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[redacted]  
[redacted]  
[redacted] requested that SA [redacted] not contact [redacted] concerning the subject [redacted]  
[redacted]  
[redacted]

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[redacted]  
[redacted] proceeded to take SA [redacted]  
into the office of [redacted]  
[redacted]

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[redacted] explained that [redacted]  
[redacted]

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On December 1, 1971, [redacted] was interviewed at [redacted] at which time he stated that he had not been involved in captioned matter. He confirmed that he had worked the day of November 24th and had spent that evening at [redacted] resides, located at 2563 Magnolia Boulevard. [redacted] general appearance was definitely not that of the artist's conception of Unsub and [redacted] emphatically stated that [redacted] he would think that anyone making such a jump that Unsub did would have to be crazy.

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In view of the above it is recommended no further investigation be conducted concerning this suspect.

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11/29/71

SA [REDACTED]

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UNKNOWN SUBJECT;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT  
#305,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: SEATTLE

Re: [REDACTED]

- SUSPECT

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On 11/28/71, [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED], advised the writer that he and his wife had seen the  
artist's sketch of the UNSUB in this case on television. He  
saw a striking resemblance to [REDACTED], whom  
he has [REDACTED]. He said that [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] said that in about the [REDACTED] went into

Subsequent to this, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]. He described [REDACTED] as follows:

Race:	White
Sex:	Male
Age:	Approximately [REDACTED]
Height:	5'1" to 6'2"
Weight:	160 lbs.
Eyes:	Dark
Hair:	Dark
Complexion:	Swarthy

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[REDACTED] said that [REDACTED]

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or something like this. He continued, that he believes

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription 12/9/71

[redacted], Washington,  
advised that [redacted]  
[redacted] during the evening hours of November 23, 1971, at  
approximately 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. She stated that he normally  
[redacted]

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She added that he stayed a couple of hours [redacted]  
[redacted] She stated that [redacted]  
[redacted] as he normally does. She again stated that no  
[redacted] on November 24, 1971. She stated  
that [redacted]  
and [redacted] where they worked  
in a shop prior to [redacted] leaving.

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Interviewed on 12/4/71 at [redacted] Washington File # SE 164-81-1862 *Sub. 35*  
by SA [redacted] bfr Date dictated 12/4/71

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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Date of transcription 12/9/71

[redacted]  
Washington, advised that on the night of November 24, 1971, at about 8:00 PM he was in his barn doing chores and pointed out that the barn and his house are located [redacted]

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[redacted] He recalled that the weather at this time was foggy with some rain and recalls that the fog was blowing like low hanging clouds as he recalled being able to see lights at the [redacted] at times and then other times the fog would obscure these lights.

He went on to relate that he heard a light plane which was not too noisy come over his house about 8:00 PM going in a [redacted]

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[redacted]. This plane made [redacted] and then on the [redacted] pass had its landing lights on and did land on the [redacted]

It appeared that the pilot of the plane attempted to turn the plane around and [redacted]. He stated that his visual observation of the plane indicated that it was one with a medium to light blue color fuselage and possibly white wings. Further, it had a single engine and the single wing on the plane was on top and it also had a tricycle landing gear.

The plane lights were turned off just as a single male was observed stepping out of the plane but after the lights were turned off he did not see where this person went or what he did [redacted] further advised that not too many planes land [redacted] at night but some do come in during daylight hours and then take off after dark. He advised that possibly he has seen this plane at some other time [redacted] and has seen the pilot go from the plane to [redacted]

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He also recalled that he went into his house and from 30 minutes to an hour later he heard the plane taking off and that [redacted] which seemed to him [redacted]

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Interviewed on 12/4/71 at Longview, Washington File # SE 164-81-1863  
by SA THOMAS J. MANNING:bfr Date dictated 12/4/71

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription 12/9/71

[redacted]  
Washington, advised that on November 24, 1971, between 8:00  
and 8:30 p.m. one small plane circled [redacted]  
[redacted]

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[redacted] She stated that the  
weather was foggy with some rain at the time this plane came  
into land and recalled further that it was on the ground about  
30 minutes and took off again. She advised [redacted] told  
her it was a single engine plane and that he had observed one  
man getting out of the plane.

She pointed out that she had no reason to be  
suspicious of this aircraft coming in to land and staying on  
the ground, as small planes land [redacted]  
frequently.

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She stated that she feels sure the plane landed on  
November 24, 1971, as she was doing chores at the time and  
could relate the plane landing to the next day being  
Thanksgiving.

[redacted] continued that she did not see the  
landing lights turned on at any particular time and recalls  
further that there were no planes flying in that vicinity all  
afternoon. She pointed out that the plane came [redacted]  
[redacted] and she observed the [redacted]  
[redacted] but she did not see the plane land. She also stated  
that at times other planes land there at night and she thought  
nothing of this plane coming [redacted].

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Interviewed on 12/3/71 at [redacted] Washington File # SE 164-81-1864  
by SA [redacted] :bfr Date dictated 12/3/71

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription 12/9/71

[redacted], Washington,  
advised that no one landed [redacted]  
[redacted] on November 24, 1971. She added  
that she did not see any airplanes circling in the general  
vicinity [redacted] on November 24, 1971. She added that  
the only person, outside of [redacted]  
[redacted]

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Interviewed on 11/28/71 at [redacted], Washington File # SE 164-81-1865  
by SA [redacted] :bfr Date dictated 12/4/71

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

1Date of transcription 12/9/71

[redacted] Washington, stated that he and [redacted] during the afternoon hours of November 24, 1971, and that he observed a small low wing airplane, white in color, with a brownish blue strip running from the front of the plane to the rear bearing the prefix letters [redacted] and some number on the bottom of one wing, circling low over the general area of [redacted], Washington. He stated that the plane continued to fly over the area all afternoon and into the evening and that he last saw it around 8:00 PM.

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He stated that after dark the plane turned on a greenish colored light in front and a red light on the tail. He stated that he paid close attention to the plane as he was [redacted]

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[redacted]. He stated that he saw the same plane in the same general area about one month ago. He said it was a low wing model plane. He did not see the plane land.

Interviewed on 11/28/71 at [redacted] Washington File # SE 164-81-1866  
by SA [redacted] :bfr Date dictated 12/4/71

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

1Date of transcription 12/9/71

[redacted] Washington, stated [redacted] during the afternoon hours of November 24, 1971, but that he does not recall seeing an airplane and that he [redacted] not outside.

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Interviewed on 11/28 at [redacted] Washington File # SE 164-81-1867  
by SA [redacted] bfr Date dictated 12/4/71

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription 12/9/71b6  
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[redacted]  
Washington, advised she saw a small airplane circling extremely low [redacted]  
November 24, 1971, between 8:00 PM and 8:30 PM. She advised that the airplane had a large red light on the tail and that she could provide no further information or description. She also advised she did not see the plane land and that [redacted]  
[redacted]

Interviewed on 11/28/71 at [redacted] Washington File # SE 164-81-1868  
by SA [redacted] bfr Date dictated 12/4/71

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

1Date of transcription 12/9/71b6  
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[redacted] Washington, advised that on November 24, 1971, shortly after 5:00 PM, he observed a small metallic colored airplane circling low over the general area of his home. He described the plane as powerful, noisy, tail dragger, two seater, and with a large red light on the tail. He added that the plane was low enough to the ground and close enough to him that he could see one person in the plane who he stated was a male. He stated that [redacted], told him the plane had been circling in this area for a short period of time prior to 5:00 PM. He added that he [redacted] left their house for a short period of time and returned shortly after 8:00 PM and that the small plane was again circling in the general area near his house. He stated that he could tell it was the same plane by the noise it made and the large red tail light.

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He stated that the last time he saw the plane was a little after 8:00 PM when the pilot turned on the landing light and appeared to be making a landing. He did not see the plane land. [redacted] stated that he knows the time was a little after 8:00 PM because he had hurried home to see a television show which started at 8:00 PM and that the show had already started. He stated he could not recall the name of the show because he had directed his attention to the airplane which had been circling his house. He stated that he was aggravated by the plane circling low over his house and that is why he can recall the details so clearly.

Interviewed on 11/28/71 at [redacted] Washington File # SE 164-81-1869  
by SA [redacted] bfr Date dictated 12/4/71

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

1Date of transcription 12/9/71

[redacted]  
Washington, stated that she heard a small plane circling over her residence prior to 5:00 PM on November 24, 1971, and that when [redacted] arrived home shortly after 5:00 PM she told him that the plane had been circling low over the area for some time. She stated that [redacted] then paid close attention to the plane until they left their residence for a short time returning shortly after 8:00 PM at which time the plane was again observed circling in the general area behind their home [redacted]. She stated she did not see the plane land. She added that on November 24, 1971, from about 3:00 PM to 5:00 PM, a white car with a white male occupant was parked about [redacted]

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[redacted]  
She stated that because she was alone in the house [redacted], she became nervous having someone park so close [redacted]. She stated that [redacted] she observed the occupant of the car through her field glasses. She stated that the occupant was a white male [redacted]  
[redacted]  
[redacted]

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She stated that the same car returned on November 25, 1971, and parked in the same place from 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM.

Interviewed on 11/28/71 at [redacted], Washington File # SE 164-81-1870  
by SA [redacted] bfr Date dictated 12/4/71

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

1Date December 9, 1971

[redacted]  
[redacted] furnished the following information:

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[redacted] advised that on the night of November 24, 1971 he observed an airplane flying near [redacted] Airfield. He advised that the time of the sighting was between 7:30 and 8 p.m. because [redacted] and they had just finished watching "Truth or Consequences" on t.v. which is on from 7:00 until 7:30 p.m.

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He advised that the aircraft was flying at about treetop level and was flying from the northeast direction toward the southwest. He stated that the plane made a turn behind [redacted] Airfield and that upon completion of the turn departed the area flying back toward the northeast. He stated that upon making the turn the airplane turned on its landing lights but that it did not land. [redacted] stated that planes often fly low over that particular area due to the close proximity of the airfields located [redacted] but that he thought this was peculiar since the plane put on its landing lights but apparently did not land.

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[redacted] stated that he was unable to describe the airplane since it was dark but that [redacted]

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[redacted]  
[redacted] He also stated that he did [redacted] number on the airplane and that he was unable to obtain any further descriptive data due to the fact that it was too dark to clearly observe that much detail of the airplane.

On 11/29/71 at [redacted] Washington File # SE 164-81 -1013  
by SA [redacted] :kdl Date dictated 12/3/71

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)(P)

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UNSUB;  
Northwest Airlines  
Flight #305  
Portland to Seattle  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: SEATTLE

Re: Cessna Aircraft Sub. 35

Re: Portland tel to Seattle dated 11/29/71, (Ser. 237)  
and Oklahoma tel to Seattle dated 11/30/71, (Ser. 250).

The information requested in both references is  
contained in the FD 302s of   
both interviewed on November 28, 1971.

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)

12/4/71

SA THOMAS J. MANNING

UNSUB;

Northwest Airlines Flight 305,  
Portland to Seattle, 11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING  
OO: Seattle

Re San Francisco teletype to Bureau and Seattle, 11/26/71

[redacted], Washington was contacted on 12/1/71 and he was not able to furnish any details on the helicopter sightings. He also mentioned [redacted], and stated [redacted] [redacted] but could provide no information other than that furnished in the teletype.

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It was noted that the area [redacted] number of airfields and these are regular sized to small private strips and there is a lot of air traffic [redacted] by small planes. Further it is known by the writer that both the state Patrol and the US Army have helicopters flying [redacted] [redacted] frequently due to its proximity to IS 5 which is a main guiding line for such craft.

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No other information of value was obtained [redacted] re the aircraft and in view of the traffic in the air [redacted] it is not possible to identify the aircraft he mentions and further investigation is not warranted in the [redacted] RA.

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

12/6/71

ASAC PAUL R. BIBLER

UNSUB, aka Dan Cooper;  
NW AIRLINES FLIGHT #305,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: SEATTLE

On 12/4/71, Supervisor PRICE called from the Bureau.

He referred to a UPI story to the effect that three different women had reported seeing or hearing a light plane near McClellan Air Field, Woodland, Washington, on the night of the hijacking.

He said Asst. Director BATES wanted to know what we were doing to resolve this if it had not already been resolved. He said we should send a teletype over the weekend.

After talking to SA MANNING, it was established that it had been resolved and that the [redacted] [redacted], said no plane had actually landed that night. //

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A teletype was sent to the Bureau on 12/4/71.

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DB COOPER 44662

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM : SA THOMAS J. MANNING

SUBJECT: UNSUB, aka Dan Cooper;  
NW AIRLINES FLIGHT #305,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: SE

DATE: 12/3/71

*Sub: Search*

*Susp SANDAL*

*Susp 35*

*SUB WEATHER  
+ WIND*

Investigation in Clark and Cowlitz Counties on 12/3/71, consisted of the following:

[redacted] mentioned in his interview at Rockford, Illinois, were contacted and alibi furnished by SANDAL was verified.

*Elim SANDAL*

Investigation vicinity [redacted] reflected one woman, [redacted] recalls a light plane landing with its landing lights on between 8:00 and 8:30 PM, on 11/24/71, remaining on the ground for approximately one half hour. However, she pointed out that she finds nothing suspicious in this since a number of planes land at both the Hahn and McClellan small air strips frequently, both day and night, and it is possible she may be confused on the exact time of the landing of the light plane which she has referred to as being 11/24/71.

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Information developed by SA [redacted] at Vancouver, Washington, reflects [redacted] possible suspect in hijacking and memo to file will be furnished by SA [redacted] on 12/6/71, with details.

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*Weather  
+ WIND*

Contact made with U.S. Weather Bureau, Portland, Oregon, to determine exact weather from 7,000 feet to ground level on 11/24/71, reflects generally conditions previously furnished to case agent, except that some of these winds both at 7,000 feet and on the surface could have been coming from 225 to 235 degrees, a general southeast wind. Further information concerning the wind and weather conditions being furnished in insert form 164-81-552 *Sub 35* concerning search in general.

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

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SA CHARLES E. FARRELL

UNKNOWN SUBJECT;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES  
FLIGHT #305,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: SEATTLE  
BUfile 164-2111

Re: SUSPECT - CESSNA or TR-6 plane,  
near Yacolt, Washington

On 11/30/71, SA THOMAS J. MANNING advised that investigation concerning the suspect aircraft now discloses that it could be a TR-6 instead of a Cessna and that both kinds of aircraft should be considered. He said a TR-6 was a World War II training plane and that several of them are still being used.

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1:12PM URGENT 11/30/71 VAB

TO PORTLAND

FROM SEATTLE (164-81) (P)

UNKNOWN SUBJECT; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT NUMBER THREE ZERO FIVE,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR, NINETEEN SEVENTYONE; CAA-  
HIJACKING; EXTORTION; OO: SEATTLE; BUFILE ONE SIX FOUR - TWO ONE  
ONE ONE.

RE PREVIOUS COMMUNICATIONS ON PLANE USING NAME [REDACTED]. IT HAS  
BEEN DETERMINED THIS IS COLLOQUIAL EXPRESSION OF PRIVATE PILOTS UTI-  
LIZING CITIZENS BAND RADIO. INFORMATION RE [REDACTED] IDENTITY MAY BE  
SECURED FROM [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED], TRUE NAME UNKNOWN, AND BELIEVED TO LIVE  
IN [REDACTED], OREGON.

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*164-81-297*

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PORTLAND AT BEAVERTON, OREGON, ATTEMPT TO CONTACT [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]. IN EVENT [REDACTED] CAN NOT BE CON-  
TACTED, ATTEMPT TO IDENTIFY [REDACTED] AND SECURE SAME INFORMATION  
SETTING APPROPRIATE LEADS RE IDENTIFICATION.

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DB COOPER 44667

MP003 SE PLAIN

319 PM URGENT 11/23/71 FEE

TO PORTLAND

FROM SEATTLE (164-81) 2P

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTY-FOUR, SEVENTY-ONE. CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO: SEATTLE.

RE SEATTLE TELEPHONE CALL THIS DATE.

AN INDIVIDUAL IN YACOLT, WASHINGTON, WHICH IS IN THE PERTINENT AREA, ADVISED THAT A TWO-SEATER GREY CESSNA AIRPLANE WHICH HAS A VERY LARGE RED LIGHT ON THE TOP OF THE TAIL, WAS SEEN FLYING IN VICINITY OF SOME SMALL AIR STRIPS IN THE YACOLT AREA ON THE NIGHT OF NOVEMBER TWENTY-FOUR, SEVENTY-ONE. THE PLANE MADE A NUMBER OF PASSES WITH ITS LANDING LIGHTS ON. INFORMATION HAS ALSO BEEN DEVELOPED THAT A CAR, MAKE AND MODEL UNKNOWN, WITH UNKNOWN LICENSE PLATE WAS PARKED ON ROAD IN VICINITY OF THIS LOCATION ON NOVEMBER TWENTY-FOUR AND TWENTY-FIVE, SEVENTY-ONE.

SOURCE ADVISED THAT [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED], OUT OF PORTLAND, OREGON, AREA.

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*164-81-199*

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SOURCE SAID THAT [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] SMALL LANDING STRIPS IN THE  
VICINITY OF YACOLT AND LA CENTER, WASHINGTON.

[REDACTED] REGISTRATION NUMBER OF THE GREY  
CESSNA AS [REDACTED] WITH NUMERALS UNKNOWN.

PORTLAND REQUESTED TO ATTEMPT THROUGH INFORMATION FURNISHED  
ABOVE TO IDENTIFY THIS AIRCRAFT. -P-

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FBI PORTLAND TO CLP

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

11/28/71

SA THOMAS J. MANNING

UNSUB;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES  
FLIGHT 305  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: Seattle

WAS On November 28, 1971, an intensive door to door canvass being conducted in the area previously designated as a search area for the hijacker. In the course of these contacts, an individual in the Yacolt, Washington vicinity advised that a two-seater grey Cessna airplane aroused her suspicions. She pointed out that [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] small landing strips in the vicinity of Yacolt and LaCenter, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] She stated [REDACTED]

[REDACTED], probably out of the Portland, Oregon area. This plane has a very large red light on the top of the tail and it was described by individuals who had seen it as "abnormally large" for a plane that size. Further, this plane was flying in the vicinity of the small air strips on the night of November 24, 1971, and never made a landing and it was dark at the time. The plane made a number of passes over various locations in that vicinity with its landing lights on as if it was looking for something.

Also information was developed that a car, make and model unknown at this time with an unknown license plate was parked on a road in the vicinity of the location at which the aircraft was making the night passes on November 24, and also on November 25, 1971.

Information has been developed that the partial registration number of the gray Cessna is [REDACTED] with the numerals not recorded and unknown.

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It is requested that this information be disseminated to the Portland Division, attention SA RALPH HIMMELSBACH who is a pilot and familiar with registrations and CB radio. Further, it is requested that sources familiar with air craft registrations in the state of Washington be contacted to determine whether this particular aircraft can be identified with the information presently available.

Investigation in the LaCenter area based upon the latest information from [REDACTED] [REDACTED], Northwest Airlines, will continue. An exact plotting of the location of the circle as furnished by [REDACTED] will be taken care of this date.

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AIRTEL

AIRMAIL

TO: SAC, SACRAMENTO (164-50)  
FROM: SAC, PORTLAND (164-41) (P)  
SUBJECT: NORJAK

*Eliminate*

Re Sacramento teletype to Seattle and Portland,  
11/29/71.

On 12/1/71, [redacted] was observed at [redacted]  
[redacted], Salem, Oregon, where  
he is employed as [redacted] did not  
resemble the composite photograph of the skyjacker's facial  
characteristics, and had a hair style unlike that portrayed  
in the composite.

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On the same date, [redacted]  
[redacted], advised [redacted] has worked for him for the past [redacted]  
[redacted] and was at his desk until 6 p.m., 11/24/71.

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Oregon Department of Motor Vehicles records show  
[redacted] date of birth as [redacted]. He is also listed as 5'11",  
and weighing 175 pounds.

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2-Seattle  
2-Portland

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3:53 PM URGENT 11-29-71 LXL

TO SEATTLE  
PORTLAND

FROM SACRAMENTO (164-50) 3P

ISUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE. NOVEMBER  
TWENTY FOUR, LAST. CAA - HIJACKING. OO: SEATTLE.

ON NOVEMBER TWENTY NINE, INSTANT, SGT. [REDACTED] SOUTH  
LAKE TAHOE POLICE DEPARTMENT, ADVISED EARLIER THAT DATE HE HAD BEEN  
CONTACTED BY [REDACTED], WHO ADVISED SHE RECENTLY  
SAW COMPOSITE OF UNSUB IN NEWSPAPER AND THAT SHE DEFINITELY FEELS  
THAT [REDACTED] BORN [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] BEARS STRONG RESEMBLANCE TO COMPOSITE AND  
COULD BE PERSON RESPONSIBLE FOR CRIME. SHE ADVISED LAST SAW [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] YEARS AGO AT WHICH TIME [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED], OREGON, RESIDING [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED], TRAVELED FREQUENTLY  
BY AIR TO AND FROM SEATTLE, WASHINGTON. SHE ADVISED PRIOR [REDACTED]  
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[REDACTED] MENTIONED [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED], HOWEVER, HE NEVER ELABORATED [REDACTED]. SHE ALSO ADVISED THAT WHILE SHE IS NOT AWARE OF ANY PRIOR ARRESTS FOR [REDACTED], SHE DEFINITELY FEELS HE COULD BE CAPABLE OF COMMITTING SUCH A CRIME. SHE ADVISED [REDACTED] EXTREMELY INTELLIGENT AND WELL EDUCATED, [REDACTED]. SHE ALSO ADVISED [REDACTED].

HOWEVER, DOES NOT PRESENTLY [REDACTED]. SHE ALSO STATED IF [REDACTED] RESPONSIBLE FOR CRIME, [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] DESCRIBED [REDACTED] AS WHITE MALE, FIVE FEET TEN AND ONE HALF INCHES, ONE HUNDRED SIXTY FIVE POUNDS, DARK BROWN HAIR, SLIGHTLY WAVY, RECEDING AT TEMPLES, DARK BROWN EYES, DARK OR OLIVE COMPLEXION, [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] WEARS DARK HORNED RIMMED GLASSES, HEAVY BEARDED GIVING IMPRESSION IN CONSTANT NEED OF SHAVE.

PORTLAND AT SALEM, OREGON. ATTEMPT TO OBTAIN PHOTO OF [REDACTED]

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FROM LOGICAL SOURCES AND ATTEMPT TO DESCREETLY ASCERTAIN   
WHEREABOUTS DURING PERTINENT PERIOD TO DETERMINE IF HE COULD BE  
CONSIDERED LOGICAL SUSPECT THIS MATTER.

END.

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FBI SEATTLE CLR

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DB COOPER 44681

12/29/71

AIRTEL

AIRMAIL

TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)  
FROM: SAC, PORTLAND (164-41)(P)  
SUBJECT: NORJAK

Re Seattle airtels to Portland, 12/3/71 and 12/6/71.

RE: HURBERT FREDRICK JAHNS

The following investigation was conducted by SA [redacted] at Portland, Oregon:

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Recontacts with [redacted] in regards to suspect, JAHNS [redacted] through 12/28/71 disclosed that JAHNS remains inside his home most of the time and seldom comes out except to go on extended trips with [redacted] occasionally. On 12/3/71, [redacted] was shown the glossy composite photograph of captioned Unsub, wearing glasses. [redacted] stated that his original tentative identification of JAHNS as being identical with the captioned Unsub was based on a very poor reproduction of this composite photograph which he saw in the newspapers.

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On 12/28/71, [redacted] was shown the composite photograph of the Unsub, without glasses, and stated that JAHNS was in no way similar to this representation. [redacted] advised that JAHNS has medium length light brownish, almost blondish, hair and that he usually wears a hippie type band around his head and forehead and affects hippie type clothing.

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Periodic attempts were made to interview JAHNS at his home of 5636 N. Denver; however, JAHNS either was not at home or did not respond to his door being knocked upon. Surveillances from parked automobiles in the neighborhood also were attempted on several occasions during this period but nothing was ever noticed which would indicate JAHNS was home. [redacted] states that

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2 - Portland (4)

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he has seen JAHNS periodically during this time and that JAHNS returned home from out of town on 12/27/71. [redacted] advised that he considered JAHNS [redacted] who does not work, but lives off of [redacted]. He described JAHNS as being very lazy and irresponsible.

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UACSE, no further investigation will be conducted by Portland Division on JAHNS due to he is obviously not being identical with the instant Unsub, due to the above. The following lead is set forth for Seattle's consideration if they deem it advisable to pursue the JAHNS matter any further.

LEAD [redacted]

SEATTLE [redacted]

AT OLYMPIA, WASHINGTON. Will, at DLR, obtain photograph of JAHNS from the driver's license section and cause appropriate display to witnesses; consider this only if it is felt that JAHNS should be considered further in light of the above. [redacted]

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12/6/71

AIRTEL

AIRMAIL

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TO: SAC, PORTLAND (164-41)  
FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)  
SUBJECT: UNSUB; aka Dan Cooper;  
Northwest Airlines Flight #305,  
Portland to Seattle.  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: SEATTLE

Re: Subject HERB JAHNS, (Sub. 37)

Re: Portland tel to Seattle, 11/29/71.

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Re: Conversation of Chief of Police JOE MAY at  
Woodland, Washington, with [redacted] MAY, on recontact,  
advised HERB JAHNS [redacted] who lives  
at 5636 N. Denver, Portland, has lived there for two years and never  
leaves the house in the daytime. He is about 40 and meets the  
physical description of the UNSUB. No further information  
available from Chief MAY.

It has been suggested in investigations in the Seattle  
Division that Portland check airfield or jump area in the vicinity  
of Aurora, Oregon as possible place at which information concern-  
ing UNSUB may be secured.

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[redacted]  
Oregon City, Oregon, telephone [redacted], reported to possibly  
have information on suspects, in view of his past activities.

LEADS

PORTLAND  
At Portland, Oregon

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1. Recontact [redacted] Portland,  
for further information regarding HERB JAHNS.

2 - Portland  
2 - Seattle  
TJM/slb (4)  
[initials]

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2. Check jump area at airport's vicinity, Aurora, Oregon.

3. Contact [REDACTED]  
Oregon City, for information on suspects in captioned matter.

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December 3, 1971

AIRTEL

AIRMAIL

TO : SAC, PORTLAND (164-41)

FROM : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)

SUBJECT: UNSUB, aka  
Dan Cooper;  
Northwest Airlines  
Flight 305  
Portland to Seattle  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: SEATTLE

Re Portland teletype to Seattle 11/29/71.

RE: HURBERT FREDRICK JAHNS  
(Previously carried as "HURB" JAHNS)

On December 1, 1971 [redacted] Chrysler Credit Corporation, Bellevue, Washington, advised that one HURBERT FREDRICK JAHNS applied for a loan in April 1968 on a 1968 Dodge Valiant van, title of which, according to [redacted], is still held by Chrysler Credit Corporation.

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JAHNS furnished the following information in connection with this loan:

2 - Portland  
3 - Seattle  
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Name HURBERT FREDRICK JAHNS.  
Age 43 years in April 1968  
Height 6'  
Weight 175  
Eyes Brown  
Hair Brown  
Marital Status   
Previous Addresses 4/68 209 22nd Avenue South  
Seattle, Washington  
1968 4714 48th Avenue South  
Seattle, Washington  
11/69 1401 33rd Avenue South  
Seattle, Washington  
1971 5636 North Denver,  
Portland, Oregon

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Occupation 4/68 carpenter, F&R Construction  
Company, Seattle, Washington  
9/71 tile setter, A.E. Tennyson  
Portland, Oregon

Relatives Father OTTO JAHNS  
1415 Castle Rock  
Wenatchee, Washington

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Credit Rating Slow but satisfactory

Miscellaneous

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Date: 11/29/71

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is TELETYPE URGENT  
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TO: SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: PORTLAND (164-41) (P) (Z P)

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO  
SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR, SEVENTYONE, CAA-HIJACKING; EXTORTION,  
OO: SEATTLE.

INSTANT DATE, PORTLAND POLICE ADVISED RECEIVED TELEPHONE CALL  
FROM CHIEF OF POLICE JOE MAY, WOODLAND, WASHINGTON, WHO ADVISED  
THAT ONE [REDACTED] PORTLAND,  
OREGON, TELEPHONE [REDACTED] APPEARED  
IN WOODLAND THIS A.M. AND TOLD CHIEF OF POLICE MAY THAT [REDACTED]  
ONE HURB JAHNS, FIVE SIX THREE SIX NORTH DENVER, PORTLAND, LOOKED  
LIKE THE COMPOSITE SHOWN IN PAPER OF INSTANT UNKNOWN SUBJECT.

PORTLAND INDICES, PORTLAND POLICE DEPARTMENT RECORDS, MULTNOMAH  
COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE RECORDS, AND DLR, SALEM, OREGON, NEGATIVE  
ON JAHNS. DMV SHOWS HURB JAHNS, DOB MAY FOURTEEN, TWENTYFOUR,  
ADDRESS FIVE SIX THREE SIX NORTH DENVER, PORTLAND, OREGON, AS  
REGISTERED OWNER OF NINETEEN SIXTYEIGHT DODGE VALIANT, OREGON

1 - Portland  
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Special Agent in Charge

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LICENSE B F H FIVE ZERO FIVE, WITH LEGAL OWNER CHRYSLER CREDIT CORPORATION, SEATTLE BRANCH, SEATTLE, WASHINGTON.

SEATTLE AT WOODLAND. CONTACT CHIEF OF POLICE MAY REGARDING  
INSTANT INFORMATION AND OBTAIN COMPLETE DETAILS. <sup>OF SEATTLE</sup> CHECK CHRYSLER  
CREDIT CORPORATION AND LOCAL AGENCIES.

PORTLAND AT PORTLAND, OREGON. CONTINUE ATTEMPTS TO CONTACT

[REDACTED]; CONSIDER CONTACT WITH JAHNS AS APPROPRIATE.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: SAC, Las Vegas (164-60)

Date: December 7, 1971

Re: UNSUB;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT 305,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: Seattle

*J. Edgar Hoover*  
John Edgar Hoover, Director

FBI File No. 164-2111  
Lab. No. D-711206032 LL  
D-711206033 LL  
D-711203049 LL

Examination requested by: Las Vegas, Philadelphia,  
Sacramento

Reference: Airtels 11/30/71, 12/3/71,  
11/30/71

Examination requested: Document - Fingerprint

Remarks:

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INVESTIGATIVE REPORT

Q1 through Q4 will be returned with the fingerprint report.

Sacramento is referred to Las Vegas teletype to the Bureau, dated 11/30/71, requesting photographs of Q1 and Q2 for CII, Sacramento. These photographs are enclosed for Sacramento and are to be delivered to [redacted] Supervisory Special Agent, CII, for comparison with the Zodiac case. The hand printing on Q1 is disguised and nothing of significance was noted in the comparison with the questioned hand printing in the case "Zodiac; Extortion, OO: Sacramento," Sacramento file 9-68, Bureau file 9-49911. No connection could be established by the Laboratory between Q1 and Q2 in captioned case and the Zodiac case.

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Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)  
2-Philadelphia (164-133) Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report)  
2-Sacramento (164-50) Enclosures (5) (Photographs of Q1 and Q2,  
K1, 2 Lab report)  
2-Seattle (164-81) Enclosures (2) (2 Lab report) 164-81-  
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: SAC, Las Vegas (164-60)

Date: December 7, 1971

FBI File No. 164-2111

Re: UNSUB;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT 305,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION

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Specimens received 12/4/71 from Las Vegas

Q1 Envelope postmarked "OAKDALE, CA NOV 27 PM 1971 95361," addressed "RENO NEWSPAPER RENO NEV."

Q2 Accompanying piece of paper with cutout words forming the message "ATTENTION Thanks for Hospitality was IN A RUT D. B. Cooper,"

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Specimens received 12/4/71 from Philadelphia

Q3 Envelope postmarked "U. S. POSTAL SERVICE, MN 553 26 NOV PM 1971" addressed [redacted]

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Q4 Accompanying one-page handwritten letter dated Nov. 25, 1971, beginning [redacted]

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Specimen received 12/2/71 from Sacramento

K1 One copy of the final edition of the 11/26/71 issue of the MODESTO BEE

Result of examination:

Q1 through Q4 were not identified in the Anonymous Letter File. Appropriate copies of these specimens have been added to this file for future reference.

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AIR MAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)  
ATTN: FBI LABORATORY

FROM: SAC, LAS VEGAS (164-60) (P)

UNSUB;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT 305,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIGHJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: Seattle

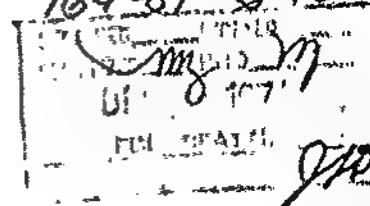
Re Las Vegas tels to Bureau and Seattle, 11/30/71.

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau is the original letter and envelope forwarded to the "Reno Evening Gazette" at Reno, Nevada, postmarked Oakdale, California, 11/27/71.

Elimination fingerprints of personnel handling same at the newspaper are being obtained and will be forwarded to the Bureau as soon as received.

The Laboratory is requested to conduct appropriate examination of the enclosed to determine any pertinent latent fingerprints which could be identified with the sender and furnish the results to pertinent offices.

3-Bureau (Enc. 2)  
① Seattle (164-81) (Info)  
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NR 006 LV PLAIN

1010 PM URGENT 11-30-71 ASJ

TO SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM LAS VEGAS (164-60)

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND  
TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTY-FOUR, SEVENTY-ONE. CAA - HIJACKING;  
EXTORTION. 00: SEATTLE

RE SEATTLE TEL INSTANT.

RE SUSPECT - BEN LEIBSEN.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION CONCERNING LEIBSEN BEING OBTAINED  
CARSON CITY, NEVADA. PHOTOGRAPH OBTAINED. FACSIMILE COPIES BEING  
FURNISHED SEATTLE. COPIES OF PHOTOGRAPHS WILL FOLLOW BY AMSD.

REGARDING ANONYMOUS LETTER SENT TO "RENO NEWSPAPER", RENO,  
NEVADA" BY "D. B. COOPER", ORIGINAL OF LETTER OBTAINED AND  
BEING FORWARDED BY LAS VEGAS TO FBI LABORATORY.

INVESTIGATION CONCERNING LEIBSEN CONTINUING.

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245 PM URGENT 11-29-71 JEG

TO DIRECTOR - PORTLAND

SEATTLE - SACRAMENTO

FROM LAS VEGAS (164-60)

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO  
FIVE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR LAST, PORTLAND, OREGON. CAA-HIJACKING;  
EXTORTION.

[REDACTED], RENO EVENING GAZETTE, RENO, NEVADA,  
THIS DATE ADVISED ENVELOPE RECEIVED THIS DATE BY NEWSPAPER  
ADDRESS TO, *Anonymous note to* "RENO NEWSPAPER, RENO, NEVADA", AND POSTMARKED  
OAKDALE, CA. P.M. NOV. TWENTYSEVEN, SEVENTYONE.

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ENVELOPE OPENED AND FOUND TO CONTAIN FOLLOWING WORDS  
APPARENTLY CUT FROM NEWSPAPER AND PASTED TO PLAIN WHITE PAPER.

"ATTENTION: THANKS FOR HOSPITALITY WAS IN A RUT D.B.C  
COOPER". FACSIMILE BEING SENT SACRAMENTO.

NOTE HANDLED BY AT LEAST EIGHT PERSONS AT NEWSPAPER. ELIMINATION  
PRINTS BEING OBTAINED.

NOTE BEING FORWARDED IDENTIFICATION DIVISION FOR LATENT  
PRINT EXAMINATION BY SEPARATE COVER.

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PRESS INQUIRIES WILL BE ANSWERED ACKNOWLEDGING THAT LETTER  
HAS BEEN FURNISHED TO FBI AND THAT APPROPRIATE INQUIRIES BEING  
CONDUCTED TO IDENTIFY AND LOCATE THE INDIVIDUAL RESPONSIBLE, UACB.  
END

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 3/4/74

FROM : SA ROBERT H. WICK

SUBJECT: NORJAK

*Sub 39*

Reference memo of SA [REDACTED], 1/31/74.

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SUBJECT NO. 39

At Olympia, Washington

On February 14, 1974, [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED], Washington State Board of Prison Terms and Paroles, made available the file, number 6737 concerning HAROLD RAY HARDESTY, FBI Number 109 477. Also made available was a photograph of HARDESTY taken on July 2, 1954, which is the most recent photograph available in this file.

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According to the file, HARDESTY committed 19 armed robberies during the year of 1941; was the ring leader of three robbers; used a pistol in the execution of these robberies and offered as an explanation after being caught that he was obtaining money for which to buy an airplane. He was sentenced out of King County for a 9-year minimum sentence on January 30, 1942. On July 4, 1944, HARDESTY escaped from the Walla Walla Penitentiary by fire bombing a guard tower and using grappling hooks and lines to scale the walls. Subsequently he was apprehended by Federal authorities in the Detroit, Michigan area and was convicted for interstate transportation of stolen property. For this he was committed to the U.S. Penitentiary at Leavenworth. At the expiration of this term he was returned to the Walla Walla Penitentiary on March 3, 1950. He was then tried and found guilty of escape and sentenced to 10 years. He was paroled on September 28, 1954 to the custody of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. HARDESTY, 14301 East Burnside, Portland, Oregon. He was handled by the Portland Office of the Probation and Parole Division in the State of Oregon. He was still interested in flying at that time; he found a job in a cheap hotel and was still living with his parents at the time of his conditional discharge from *Sub 39*

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supervision on October 21, 1955. In 1958 a background investigation was conducted concerning HARDESTY to determine if he was eligible for the restoration of his civil rights. At that time he was a member of the Sailors' Union of the Pacific Merchant Marines. He said since he had been released from supervision, he had been in Tallahassee, Florida for about six months, returning to Portland and working as a free lance photographer. He then joined the Sailors' Union of the Pacific as an ordinary seaman. He married a LORETTA AILEEN PAWSEY, age 23 on April 30, 1958, having met her in his own parent's home in Portland. The most recent photograph was taken prior to his last parole, but shows him as virtually bald, having a round face, wearing glasses, 5'8", 180 pounds, hazel eyes and brown hair. He has a scar on his left wrist outter and his race is white. He was born April 4, 1918, Freewater, Oregon. He is a graduate of Roosevelt High School, Seattle, Washington and at one time [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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SA [REDACTED]

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NORJAK  
OO: SEATTLE

Re Seattle memo of SA [REDACTED], 1/3/74.

Enclosed for Olympia is one copy of the above-referenced

MEMO.

On 1/23/74 [REDACTED] Washington State Penitentiary, Walla Walla, Washington, revealed that HAROLD HARDESTY, Prison #024614, was paroled in 1954 and his prison file is maintained in Olympia.

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LEADS:

SEATTLE DIVISION

At Olympia, Washington

Will attempt to review HAROLD HARDESTY's prison record and forward any pertinent information to the case agent.

ARMED & DANGEROUS.

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SA [REDACTED]

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MORJAK  
OO: Seattle

Re: HAROLD HARDSTY  
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HARDSTY has been suggested as a suspect in this matter by [REDACTED], Puyallup, Washington, who advised that he had done time in Walla Walla Prison with HAROLD HARDSTY. HARDSTY is a pilot and a parachutist. HARDSTY is described as follows:

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Name	HAROLD HARDSTY
Race	White
Sex	Male
Height	5'10"
Weight	165#
Age	45
Hair	Dark and thinning
Complexion	Fair, wears make-up

[REDACTED] finally advised that [REDACTED]

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LEAD

AT WALLA WALLA, WASHINGTON

Will attempt to review HAROLD HARDSTY's prison record and forward any pertinent information to Seattle Division.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 11/29/71

FROM : [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES  
FLIGHT #305,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: SEATTLE  
BUFILE 164-2111

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On instant date [REDACTED] Puyallup, Wn., telephonically contacted this office. [REDACTED] advised that the description of the unsub matches a man named HAROLD HARDESTY. HARDESTY has done time in Levanworth Prison and Walla Walla Prison. HARDESTY is a pilot and a parachutes.

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[REDACTED], advised that the last time he heard from HARDESTY, HARDESTY was in the Portland, Oregon area.

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[REDACTED] gave a physical description of HARDESTY as:

Age	45 - 50 looks like 40
Height	5' 10" - 5' 11"
Weight	165 lbs.
Hair	Dark, thinning, wears wigs.
Complexion	Fair, wears make up.

[REDACTED] advised that [REDACTED] lived in the [REDACTED] advised that HARDESTY knows the area around Woodland, Amboy and Battle Ground.

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)

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SA [REDACTED]

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*Eliminated*

Re Los Angeles Nitel to Seattle and New Haven,  
12/2/71, Seattle memo, SA [REDACTED] 12/15/71.

RE: DON NELSON  
SUSPECT #40

On 12/17/71, Mr. DONALD E. NELSON advised the  
following:

His permanent address is [REDACTED]  
Santa Barbara, California, where he resides [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]. He is temporarily staying at Everett, Washington,  
at Wait's Motel, 1301 Lombard, Unit #25, [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] in  
Everett, Washington, and has been [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]. Mr. NELSON arrived at Everett for this  
[REDACTED] on Wednesday, December 14, 1971, and plans  
to leave Everett for his home in Santa Barbara on Monday,  
12/20/71. NELSON denies any knowledge of the hijacking in  
this case and states that he was at his home in Santa  
Barbara, California, on 11/24/71, and that this can be  
verified [REDACTED] and a neighbor, [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]. NELSON claims that he has never jumped in a  
parachute in his life and that he had nothing to do with  
referenced hijacking.

The following description was obtained through  
observation and interview:

Name	DONALD E. NELSON
Sex	Male
Race	Caucasion

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Age	49
Height	5'10 1/2"
Weight	145 lbs.
Hair	Light brown
Eyes	Brown
Complexion	Medium to ruddy
Glasses	Horn rims, brown
Occupation	Plumber & pipe fitter
Brand of Cigarettes	Kools, Salems, & Pall Malls

NELSON was previously employed at the Cherry Point Refinery near Ferndale, Washington, where he works for [redacted] Plumbing of Santa Barbara, California. He quit that job and left Ferndale on 11/11/71, and arrived in Santa Barbara on 11/12/71. He stated that he was in Santa Barbara continuously from 11/12/71, through 12/14/71, at which time he came to Everett [redacted]  
[redacted]

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DON NELSON does not appear to be a likely suspect and no further leads are being set out in reference to this suspect.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)

DATE: 12/15/71

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT: NORJAK

Re Los Angeles Nitel to Seattle and New Haven,  
12/2/71.

RE: DON NELSON

On 12/9/71, [REDACTED], Clerk, U. S. Post Office, Ferndale, Washington, advised that P. O. Box [REDACTED] is assigned to a [REDACTED], Ferndale, Washington, and that P. O. Box [REDACTED] is assigned to [REDACTED], Ferndale, Washington.

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On 12/9/71, [REDACTED], Ferndale, advised that no one by the name of DON E. NELSON resides at this address and he is not acquainted with him. He stated that a letter for DON NELSON had been delivered to this address and it was returned to the Post Office. He stated he understood that the correct box number for NELSON is Box [REDACTED].

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On 12/9/71, [REDACTED], P. O. Box [REDACTED], Ferndale, Washington, advised that DON E. NELSON does not reside here nor is he a relative of his. [REDACTED] stated he has [REDACTED] but none have the same name, description or wife's name as DON E. NELSON. (It is noted that [REDACTED] is a former [REDACTED] and can be considered a reliable source).

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On 12/10/71, [REDACTED], Supra, advised that a review of records indicates DONALD E. NELSON, Age 40-45, had P. O. Box 1193, and left a forwarding address one month ago of 2501 Mesa School Lane, Santa Barbara, California. She further stated that he lived at [REDACTED], Ferndale, with a [REDACTED], and she believes that NELSON also had [REDACTED] at this address.

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He stated that he had talked with DON [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]. He stated that [REDACTED] was  
[REDACTED]  
he is in Everett [REDACTED]. He stated that  
[REDACTED] at the residence of  
[REDACTED], Washington, tele-  
phone [REDACTED]. He stated that DON NELSON is enroute to  
Washington State and will likely be staying at this address,  
or could be reached through [REDACTED], at this address.

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[REDACTED] further advised that the [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] is staying [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
Washington.

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SEATTLE  
At Everett, Washington

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Will locate and interview DON E. NELSON, through  
[REDACTED], telephone [REDACTED], and  
establish whereabouts of NELSON during pertinent period.

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1041 PM NITEL 12-2-71 NEE

TO NEW HAVEN (164-77)

SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM LOS ANGELES (164-497)

UNSUB; HIJACKING OF NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE  
ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR LAST,  
CAA DASH HIJACKING; EXTORTION, OO SEATTLE.

RE LOS ANGELES TELS TO SEATTLE NOVEMBER TWENTYSIX,  
DECEMBER ONE AND DECEMBER TWO INSTANT. NEW HAVEN TEL TO  
BUREAU, SEATTLE AND LOS ANGELES DECEMBER ONE LAST.

RE: [REDACTED], SET

FORTH LOS ANGELES TEL NOVEMBER TWENTYSIX LAST.

ON DECEMBER ONE LAST, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED], ADVISED HE IS [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ADVISED [REDACTED] DOES NOT MATCH PHYSICAL

DESCRIPTION OF SUBJECT AND HE WOULD DEFINITELY DISCOUNT  
ISTEL AS POSSIBLE SUSPECT THIS MATTER.

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COMPOSITE DRAWING OF UNSUB WAS DISPLAYED TO [REDACTED] WHO ADVISED [REDACTED] HAIR LINE AND HAIR STYLE COMPLETELY DIFFERENT FROM UNSUB. ADDITIONAL QUESTIONING REVEALED

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[REDACTED]

AS [REDACTED] UNABLE TO IDENTIFY ARTIST'S CONCEPTION AS GOOD LIKENESS OF [REDACTED], HE IS NOT BEING CONSIDERED SUSPECT THIS MATTER.

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RE DON NELSON

ON DECEMBER TWO INSTANT, A REVIEW OF SANTA BARBARA CITY DIRECTORY FOR SEVENTY, REVEALED DON NELSON, PLUMBER, TWO FIVE ZERO ONE MESA SCHOOL LANE. NO LISTING IDENTIFIABLE WITH NELSON COULD BE FOUND IN SEVENTYONE DIRECTORY.

INSTANT DATE FILES OF CREDIT BUREAU OF SANTA BARBARA, CALIFORNIA, REVEALED DONALD E. NELSON [REDACTED] RESIDING.

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[REDACTED] HIS AGE SHOWN AS FORTYEIGHT AND NELSON KNOWN TO AGENCY SINCE FORTYFIVE. NO INDICATION NELSON IN SANTA BARBARA SINCE SEVENTY AND LAST ADDRESS SHOWN

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RE INFO FURNISHED BY [REDACTED] TO NEW HAVEN  
DECEMBER ONE LAST.

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ON DECEMBER TWO INSTANT, [REDACTED],  
[REDACTED],

ADVISED MATTER REPORTED TO FBI IN EVENT REWARD OFFERED.

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[REDACTED] STATED HAD NO PERSONAL KNOWLEDGE AND INFORMATION  
CAME FROM [REDACTED].

INSTANT DATE, [REDACTED]

ADVISED AS FOLLOWS:

ON NOVEMBER TWENTYEIGHT LAST, HE [REDACTED]  
SAW ARTIST'S SKETCH OF HIJACKER ON TV. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] LOOKED LIKE  
SKETCH ON TV. [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] STATED HAS NO REASON TO BELIEVE [REDACTED] WAS  
HIJACKER AND DESCRIBED HIM AS WMA, BORN [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] AT [REDACTED], SIX FOOT ONE, ONE HUNDRED  
FIFTYFIVE POUNDS, HAIR REDDISH BROWN, EYES UNKNOWN, SLIGHT  
BUILD, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED], SMALL EARS NOTICABLY PROTRUDING FROM HEAD.

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[REDACTED] AND THEIR  
TELEPHONE NUMBERS, WHO WERE MEMBERS OF CLUB. HE DESCRIBED  
CLUB MEMBERSHIP AS BETWEEN TEN AND TWENTY MOST FROM EAST  
LOS ANGELES AREA. [REDACTED] SAID DISCUSSION AMONG GROUP  
APPEARED TO BE NOTHING MORE THAN NORMAL INTEREST OF SKY  
DIVERS ABOUT CRIME WHERE HIJACKERS JUMP FROM AIRPLANE  
AND NONE OF CLUB MEMBERS HAD ACTED SUSPICIOUS SINCE HIJACKING.  
THIS CLUB DESCRIBED AS LOCAL IN NATURE AND NOT NATIONAL  
ORGANIZATION.

SEATTLE, AT FERNDAL, WASHINGTON, CONDUCT APPROPRIATE  
INVESTIGATION THROUGH LAST ADDRESS OF DONALD ERN NELSON,  
BOX ONE NINE THREE, FERNDAL OR [REDACTED] COMPANY  
TO LOCATE AND ESTABLISH WHEREABOUTS OF NELSON DURING  
PERTINENT PERIOD.

LOS ANGELES AT [REDACTED], CALIFORNIA, WILL ASCERTAIN IF  
[REDACTED] KNOWN TO [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] OR IF NAME MAINTAINED IN RECORDS PARACHUTE CLUB  
LOS ANGELES AREA.

AT EAST LOS ANGELES, WILL INTERVIEW [REDACTED],  
[REDACTED] FOR ALL INFORMATION  
CONCERNING MEMBERSHIP OF CLUB AND DISPLAY ARTIST CONCEPTION TO  
[REDACTED].

END

RECD. FOUR TELS DCA FBI SE HOLD

DB COOPER-44715

NR006 SE PLAIN

11:22AM URGENT 12/1/71 VAB

TO LOS ANGELES

FROM SEATTLE (164-81)

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR, SEVENTYONE. CAA-HIJACKING; EXTORTION; OO: SEATTLE.

RE DON NELSON (SUB FORTY).

NELSON CONSIDERED POSSIBLE SUSPECT AND ONLY INFO AVAILABLE IS THAT SOME YEARS AGO HE RESIDED WITH [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED], SANTA BARBARA, CALIFORNIA. HIS CURRENT LOCATION IS UNKNOWN.

LOS ANGELES AT SANTA BARBARA - WILL ATTEMPT TO FURTHER IDENTIFY NELSON AND HIS CURRENT LOCATION FROM ABOVE INFORMATION. P.

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FBI

Date: 11/29/71

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TO: SEATTLE 164-81

FROM: PORTLAND (164-41)

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, TWENTYFOURTH INSTANT. CAS - HIJACKING;  
EXTORTION.

ANONYMOUS MALE CALLER TELEPHONED PORTLAND OFFICE ONE  
FORTY P.M. TWENTYNINTH INSTANT. STATES DESCRIPTION AND  
ARTISTS CONCEPTION IN LOCAL NEWSPAPER STRONGLY RESEMBLE ONE  
DON NELSON. NELSON IS ABOUT FIFTY AND HAIR IS LIGHT BROWN,  
OTHERWISE FITS DESCRIPTION OF UNSUB. [REDACTED] IS NAMED

[REDACTED] NELSON RESIDED SOME YEARS AGO ON MESA SCHOOL LANE,  
SANTA BARBARA, CALIFORNIA. NOW BELIEVED RESIDING IN SEATTLE  
AREA.

INFORMANT STATES HE IS [REDACTED] HENCE WONT  
GIVE NAME. HE WOULD FURNISH NO FURTHER DESCRIPTION OR  
DETAILS. SAYS NELSON NOT A SKY DIVER TO HIS KNOWLEDGE.

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Special Agent in Charge

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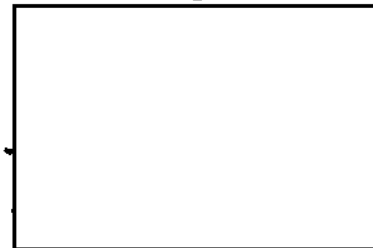
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Date: 12/17/71

Transmit the following in \_\_\_\_\_  
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(Priority)

TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)  
FROM: SAC, DALLAS (164-191)(P)  
SUBJECT: NORJAK

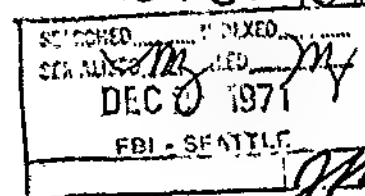
Enclosed are inserts and FD-302 re investigation  
conducted concerning:



4. EARL F. WILLIAMS

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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The following investigation was conducted by  
SA HARRY J. MORGAN:

AT DALLAS, TEXAS

On December 6, 1971, [redacted]  
[redacted], Gillette Company,  
[redacted], Dallas, Texas, advised that [redacted]  
[redacted] was employed with the [redacted], a division  
of Gillette which is now disbanded. He resided at [redacted]  
[redacted], Dallas, Texas.

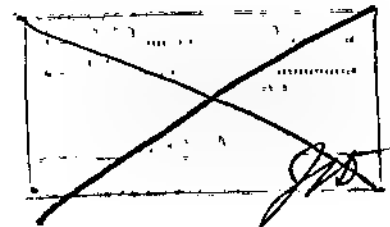
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She believed he left Dallas about [redacted]  
years ago. She does not know where he went and the records  
were sent to the Boston, Massachusetts, home office.

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On December 6, 1971, [redacted]  
[redacted], U.S. Postal Service, Walnut Hill Branch, 9755  
Webbs Chapel, Dallas, Texas, advised his records reveal that  
[redacted] moved in [redacted] to [redacted]  
[redacted], Los Angeles County, California.  
He then moved on [redacted] to [redacted]  
[redacted], Cook County, Illinois.

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TO: SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: SAN FRANCISCO (164-220) (P) 1P

UNSUB; AKA DAN COOPER; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTY FOUR, LAST, CAA - HIJACKING;  
EXTORTION.

RE CINCINNATI TELETYPE, NOVEMBER TWENTY NINE, LAST.

RE SUSPECT [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] LOCATED AT [REDACTED] THIS DATE.

HE ADVISED THAT [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] THANKSGIVING EVE, NOVEMBER TWENTY FOUR, LAST [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] FROM OBSERVATION, IT WAS  
ESTABLISHED THAT [REDACTED] IS NOT IDENTICAL WITH UNSUB.

[REDACTED] IS DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: WHITE MALE AMERICAN SIX FEET ONE  
INCH, ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY FIVE POUNDS, BLOND HAIR, BLUE EYES, DOB [REDACTED]

[REDACTED], POB [REDACTED], RESIDENCE [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] EMPLOYED BY THE GILLETTE COMPANY [REDACTED]

ADVISED THAT [REDACTED]

SEATTLE ADVISE ALL AUXILIARY OFFICES TO DISCONTINUE RE [REDACTED]

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FROM: ✓ SAC, CHICAGO (164-297)

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UNSUB, AKA DAN COOPER; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE  
ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR,  
SEVENTYONE; CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION; OO: SEATTLE;  
BUFILE ONE SIXTYFOUR - TWO ONE ONE ONE.

RE DALLAS TELETYPE TO ALBUQUERQUE DATED DECEMBER SIX  
LAST.

RE SUSPECT



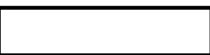
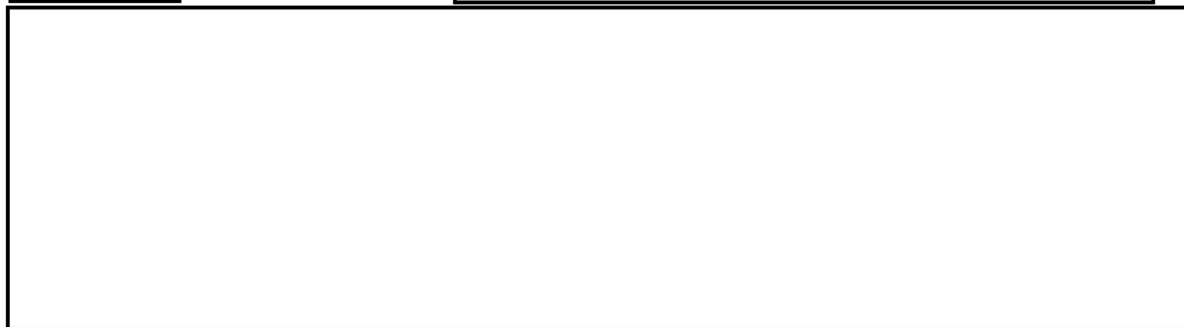
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- 1 - San Francisco (AM)
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RECORDS AT [REDACTED] PD NEGATIVE RE [REDACTED]

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RECORDS [REDACTED] ALSO NEGATIVE RE [REDACTED]

FOR INFO OF DENVER, ONE [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ADVISED DECEMBER ONE

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b7DLAST, THE COMPOSITE OF UNSUB APPEARING IN CINCINNATI PAPERS  
APPEARS TO BE ONE [REDACTED], FORMERLY FROM

[REDACTED] DESCRIBED AS WMA,

BORN [REDACTED] SEVENTYTWO

INCHES, ONE EIGHT FIVE POUNDS, BLOND AND BLUE, FBI NO.

[REDACTED] DENVER CONDUCT

APPROPRIATE INVESTIGATION IN EFFORT TO LOCATE AND INTERVIEW

[REDACTED] AND DETERMINE HIS WHEREABOUTS ON NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR

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LAST. CG CONTINUING INVESTIGATION.

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1:20PM URGENT 12/8/71 VAB

TO ALBUQUERQUE

DALLAS

CHICAGO

LOS ANGELES

DENVER

FROM SEATTLE (164-81)

UNSUB, AKA DAN COOPER; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR, SEVENTYONE. CAA DASH  
HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO: SEATTLE.

RE SAN FRANCISCO TELETYPE CALL TO SEATTLE DECEMBER EIGHT,  
SEVENTYONE.

RE [REDACTED]

SAN FRANCISCO ADVISES BOGAR HAS BEEN LOCATED, INTERVIEWED, AND  
ELIMINATED. ALL OFFICES DISCONTINUE RE [REDACTED].

ARMED AND DANGEROUS. (P)

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DB COOPER-44724

NR007 BS PLAIN

4:45PM URGENT 12-7-71 DLN

TO: SEATTLE (164-81)

LOS ANGELES

FROM: BOSTON (164-153)

UNSUB; AKA, DAN COOPER; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT  
THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR  
LAST; CAA-HIJACKING, EXTORTION, OO: SEATTLE, BUFILE  
ONE SIX FOUR-TWO ONE ONE ONE

RE DALLAS TELETYPE DATED DECEMBER SIX LAST AND BOSTON  
TELEPHONE CALL TO LOS ANGELES DECEMBER SEVEN INSTANT,  
RE SUSPECT [REDACTED]

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PERSONNEL RECORDS, GILLETTE SAFETY RAZOR COMPANY,  
BOSTON, MASS., REFLECT [REDACTED] PRESENTLY EMPLOYED [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ADDRESS IS [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

HAS BEEN EMPLOYED BY GILLETTE [REDACTED]

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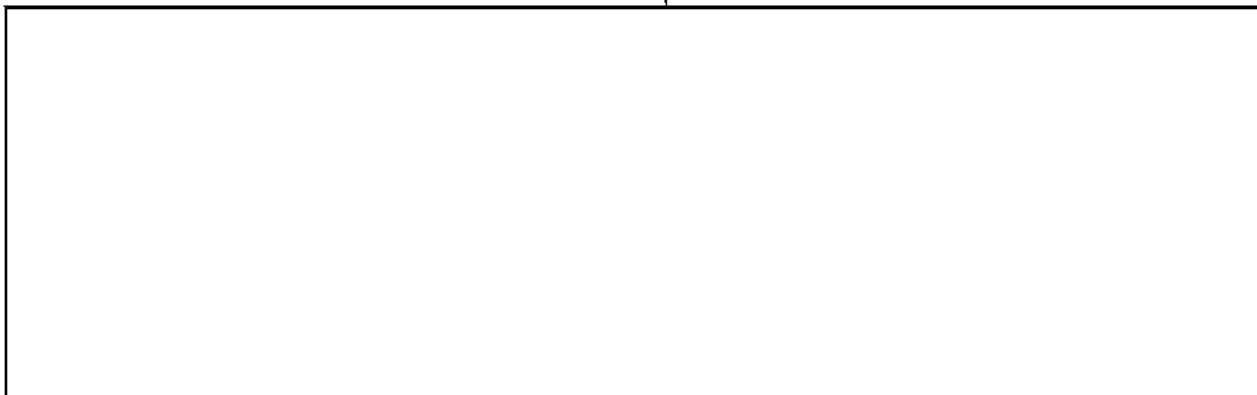
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RETEL DESCRIBES [REDACTED], WMA, BORN [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED], SEVENTYTWO INCHES, ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY

FIVE POUNDS, BLONDE, BLUE EYES, FBI NUMBER [REDACTED]

[REDACTED].

LOS ANGELES LOCATE [REDACTED] AND ESTABLISH HIS WHEREABOUTS  
AT TIME OF CAPTIONED VIOLATION.

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INFORMATION COPIES SENT BY AIRMAIL TO DALLAS, ALBUQUERQUE,  
CHICAGO, AND SAN FRANCISCO.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/7/71

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT: UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES  
FLIGHT 305, 11/24/71  
CAA-HIJACKING; EXTORTION

On ~~12~~ 12/7/71 SA [REDACTED] contacted [REDACTED]

[REDACTED], telephone [REDACTED]

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telephone [REDACTED].

SA [REDACTED] exhibited to [REDACTED] a group of photographs, including that of [REDACTED], a suspect in the instant matter.

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[REDACTED] eliminated this suspect, based upon his recollection of the hijacker in this case.

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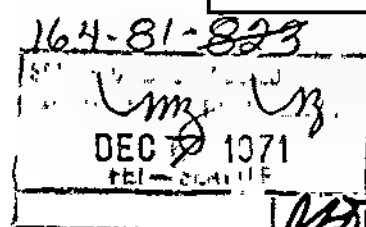
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3:50PM URGENT 12-6-71 EBM

TO ALBUQUERQUE (149-131) BOSTON CHICAGO  
SEATTLE (164-81) SAN FRANCISCO  
FROM DALLAS (164-191) 3P

UNSUB, AKA DAN COOPER; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE  
ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTY-FOUR, SEVENTY-  
ONE; CAA-HIJACKING; EXTORTION; OO: SEATTLE; BUFILE ONE SIXTY-  
FOUR - TWO ONE ONE ONE.

RE ALBUQUERQUE TELETYPE TO DALLAS, SAN FRANCISCO, AND  
SEATTLE, DECEMBER THREE, SEVENTY-ONE.

RE SUSPECT [REDACTED]

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FOR INFORMATION BOSTON AND CHICAGO, CINCINNATI ADVISED

ONE [REDACTED]

[REDACTED], ADVISED DECEMBER ONE, LAST, THE COMPOSITE OF UNSUB  
APPEARING IN THE CINCINNATI PAPERS APPEARS TO BE ONE [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] FORMERLY FROM [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] DESCRIBED AS WMA, BORN [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] SEVENTY-TWO INCHES, ONE EIGHT-FIVE, BLOND AND BLUE, FBI

NO. [REDACTED]

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INVESTIGATION AT ALBUQUERQUE REFLECTS [ ] HAS BEEN  
RECENTLY [ ]

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[ ], DALLAS, TEXAS, AND POSSIBLY EMPLOYED BY GILLETTE RAZOR  
COMPANY IN DALLAS AREA.

[ ]  
GILLETTE COMPANY, [ ], DALLAS, ADVISED [ ]

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[ ] WAS EMPLOYED WITH [ ]

[ ], A DIVISION OF GILLETTE, NOW DISBANDED. THE RECORDS OF  
GILLETTE COMPANY, INC., ARE IN BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS. [ ] LIVED AT

[ ], DALLAS, AND ACCORDING TO

[ ], LEFT SEVERAL YEARS AGO AND POSSIBLY WENT TO BOSTON.

BOSTON SHOULD CHECK GILLETTE RECORDS AND LOCATE [ ]  
ESTABLISH HIS WHEREABOUTS AT TIME OF HIJACKING.

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NEIGHBORHOOD INVESTIGATION REVEALED [ ]

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[ ] NOW RESIDE AT [ ]

[ ], U. S. POSTAL SERVICE,  
WALNUT HILL BRANCH, NINE SEVEN FIVE FIVE WEBBS CHAPEL ROAD,  
DALLAS, ADVISED HIS RECORDS REVEALED [ ] MOVED IN  
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TO : SAC, SEATTLE

FROM : SAC, CINCINNATI (164-55) (~~164-55~~)

SUBJECT: UNSUB;  
Northwest Airlines Flight 305,  
11/24/71,  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
(OO:SE)  
(BUFILE 164-2111)

Re Cincinnati tel, 12/1/71.

Re suspect [REDACTED]

Enclosed herewith are three copies of photograph of [REDACTED] which were taken in about [REDACTED], made from a copy furnished by [REDACTED].

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2:45PM URGENT 12/3/71 FXH

TO: DALLAS

SAN FRANCISCO

SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: ALBUQUERQUE (149-131) 2P

UNSUB, AKA DAN COOPER; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR SEVENTYONE.

CAA-HIJACKING; EXTORTION OO: SEATTLE BUFILE ONE SIXTYFOUR -  
TWO ONE ONE ONE.

RE CINCINNATI TELETYPE TO BUREAU, NOVEMBER TWENTYNINE LAST,  
AND ALBUQUERQUE TELETYPE TO SEATTLE, DECEMBER TWO LAST.

RE SUSPECT [REDACTED]

FOR INFO DALLAS, CINCINNATI ADVISED ONE [REDACTED]

[REDACTED], ADVISED DECEMBER ONE

LAST THE COMPOSITE OF UNSUB APPEARING IN THE CINCINNATI PAPERS  
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APPEARS TO BE ONE [REDACTED] FORMERLY FROM [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] DESCRIBED AS WMA, BORN [REDACTED]

[REDACTED], SEVENTYTWO INCHES, ONE EIGHTFIVE,

BLOND AND BLUE, FBI NO. [REDACTED]

INVESTIGATION AT ALBUQUERQUE REFLECTS [REDACTED] HAS BEEN RECENTLY

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[REDACTED], DALLAS,  
TEXAS, AND POSSIBLY EMPLOYED BY GILLETTE RAZOR CO. IN DALLAS AREA.

DALLAS WILL CONDUCT LOGICAL INVESTIGATION TO LOCATE [REDACTED]  
AND ESTABLISH HIS WHEREABOUTS AT TIME OF CAPTIONED MATTER.

ADVISE ALBUQUERQUE, SAN FRANCISCO AND SEATTLE IF LOCATED AS  
ALBUQUERQUE AND SAN FRANCISCO CONDUCTING OTHER INVESTIGATION TO  
LOCATE.

THIS INDIVIDUAL IS BEING SOUGHT IN CONNECTION WITH THE  
EXTORTION OF TWO HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS FROM NORTHWEST AIRLINES  
BY THREATENING THE CREW OF THE AIRLINE WITH A PACKAGE WHICH HE  
STATED CONTAINED A BOMB. HE SHOULD BE CONSIDERED DANGEROUS.

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NR004 AQ PLAIN

8:33PM NITEL 12/2/71 DJC

TO: SEATTLE (164-81)

SAN FRANCISCO

FROM: ALBUQUERQUE (149-131) -P- 2P

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE,  
NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR LAST, CAA - HIJACKING. OO: SEATTLE

RE ST. LOUIS TELETYPE TO SEATTLE, DECEMBER ONE LAST.

RE SUSPECT [REDACTED]:

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[REDACTED] LOCATED DECEMBER ONE LAST AT HIS PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT,

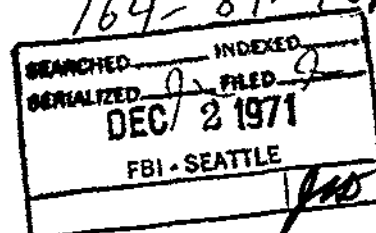
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[REDACTED]  
ALBUQUERQUE. STATES HE HAS BEEN EMPLOYED [REDACTED] WAS  
EMPLOYED THERE ON NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR LAST AND ACTUALLY WORKED

[REDACTED] ON NOVEMBER TWENTYFIVE  
LAST. [REDACTED] PRESENCE IN ALBUQUERQUE VERIFIED THROUGH EMPLOYMENT

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RECORDS AND THROUGH HIS EMPLOYER, [REDACTED] OF INSTANT FIRM.

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[REDACTED] CURRENTLY RESIDES [REDACTED]  
ALBUQUERQUE, AND WAS BORN [REDACTED]. NO OTHER  
INVESTIGATION BEING CONDUCTED RE [REDACTED].

RE SUSPECT [REDACTED]

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EFFORTS TO LOCATE ANY FORWARDING ADDRESS FOR [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] NEGATIVE. ALSO NO INFORMATION OBTAINED CONCERNING  
LOCATION [REDACTED]

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SAN FRANCISCO ATTEMPT TO LOCATE [REDACTED] THROUGH MORE CURRENT  
SAN FRANCISCO ADDRESSES FURNISHED IN RETEL.

CONSIDER UNSUB DANGEROUS.

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9:27 PM CST 12-1-71 NITEL IJS

TO ALBUQUERQUE 149-131

SEATTLE

ST. LOUIS

CINCINNATI

FROM OMAHA 149-179 (RUC) 2P

UNSUB; HIJACKING OF NORTHWEST AIRLINES SEVEN TWO SEVEN JET,  
NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR LAST. CAA HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO:  
SEATTLE.

RE ALBUQUERQUE TEL TO BUREAU ELEVEN THIRTH LAST.

ON INSTANT DATE, SHERIFF RICHARD GROGG, UNION COUNTY SHERIFF'S  
OFFICE, CRESTON, IOWA ADVISED [REDACTED]

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IOWA AFTER HIGH SCHOOL AND TO HIS KNOWLEDGE [REDACTED]

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HE ADVISED THAT [REDACTED] DIED WHILE HE WAS [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] SINCE REMARRIED. HE STATED HIS

[REDACTED] DIED [REDACTED] YEARS AGO AND [REDACTED] DID NOT ATTEND THE

FUNERAL. SHERIFF GROGG ADVISED [REDACTED]

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WAS IN TOWN [REDACTED] AGO AND [REDACTED] THAT HE WAS [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] NEVADA BUT WAS

[REDACTED] TO NEW YORK. HE STATED THAT HE HAD HEARD

[REDACTED]  
WAS THAT HE WAS MOVING TO CALIFORNIA. CRESTON POLICE DEPARTMENT  
AND CREDIT BUREAU RECORDS NEGATIVE RE [REDACTED] NO CURRENT  
PHOTO AVAILABLE.

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TO DIRECTOR (164-2111)

SEATTLE

FROM CINCINNATI (164-55)

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, ELEVEN TWENTYFOUR SEVENTYONE, CAA - HIGHJACKING, EXTORTION. OO: SEATTLE.

RE SUSPECT ROBERT ARTHUR CHICK.

RE LS TEL TO SEATTLE AND CINCINNATI ELEVEN THIRTY LAST.

ON TWELVE ONE INSTANT, DAVE SMITH, OWNER, DAVE SMITH FORD COMPANY, PATASKALA, OHIO, ADVISED ROBERT ARTHUR CHICK, AKA., DAN CHICK, CURRENTLY EMPLOYED HIS COMPANY AS MANAGER OF USED CAR LOT. CHICK BEGAN EMPLOYMENT OCTOBER NINETEEN SEVENTY.

CHICK DESCRIBED WMA, DOB NINE FOURTEEN TWENTYTWO, FRANKLIN COUNTY

OHIO, SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER TWO NINE NINE - ONE ZERO - NINE FOUR ZERO EIGHT. SMITH ADVISED HIS RECORDS SHOW CHICK WORKED FROM EIGHT THIRTY AM TO NINE PM ELEVEN TWENTY THREE AND TWENTY FOUR LAST.

CHICK INTERVIEWED INSTANT DATE ADVISED HAD NO INFORMATION AND UNABLE TO FURNISH ANY SUSPECTS RE HIGHJACKING.

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RE SUSPECT [REDACTED]

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RE CITEL NOVEMBER TWENTY NINE LAST AND ALBUQUERQUE TEL NOVEMBER  
THIRTY LAST.

[REDACTED] MADE AVAILABLE [REDACTED] Ser-443

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PHOTOGRAPH OF [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] PHOTOGRAPH FURNISHED TODAY TO  
SEATTLE BY TELECOPIER. GLOSSY REPRODUCTIONS BEING SENT SEATTLE AMSD.

AM COPIES SENT LOUISVILLE, OMAHA, ST. LOUIS, ALBUQUERQUE, SAN  
FRANCISCO, OKLAHOMA CITY.

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SUSP: EARL F. WILLIAMS

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7:00PM 11-30-71 NITEL WDM

TO DIRECTOR

DALLAS

SAN FRANCISCO, AND

SEATTLE

FROM OKLAHOMA CITY (164-56) P

UNSUB; HIJACKING OF NORTHWEST AIRLINES SEVEN TWO SEVEN JET,  
NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR, LAST, CAA-HIJACKING; EXTORTION.

OO: SEATTLE.

RE CINCINNATI TELETYPE TO BUREAU, NOVEMBER TWENTYNINE,  
LAST.

FOR INFORMATION DALLAS, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED], ADVISED TODAY THAT COMPOSITE OF UNSUB THAT APPEARED  
ON THE TODAY SHOW ON NOVEMBER TWENTYNINE, LAST, WAS  
BELIEVED TO LOOK VERY MUCH LIKE AN EARL F. WILLIAMS, WHO

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ADVISED THAT [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] DESCRIBED WILLIAMS AS BEING  
VERY FAMILIAR WITH THE OUTDOORS AND AS A WHITE MALE  
AMERICAN, FIVE FOOT ELEVEN INCHES, ONE EIGHT FIVE POUNDS,  
RECEEDING DARK BROWN HAIR, FAIR COMPLEXION, AND HEAVY  
BUILD. [REDACTED] LAST HEARD WILLIAMS WAS WORKING AT A SHAKEY'S  
PIZZA PARLOR SOMEWHERE IN THE DALLAS, TEXAS AREA. [REDACTED]  
STATED WILLIAMS [REDACTED].

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FOR THE INFORMATION OF SAN FRANCISCO AND SEATTLE,  
ATTEMPTS TO LOCATE A [REDACTED], ONE  
[REDACTED], AT OKLAHOMA CITY THROUGH POLICE AND SHERIFF'S  
DEPARTMENTS, CREDIT CHECKS, AND TELEPHONE DIRECTORIES  
NEGATIVE.

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INVESTIGATION CONTINUING AT OKLAHOMA CITY.

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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20537

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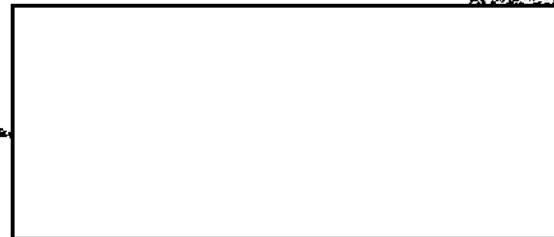
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UNSUB; HIJACKING OF  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES 727 JET  
11-24-71, CAA HIJACKING;  
EXTORTION.

Your Inquiry

Re; CI tel 11-29-71

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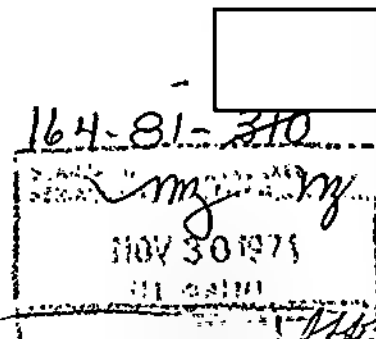
- ☐ Attached furnished in reply to your inquiry.
- ☐ Attached furnished in compliance with request from Div 6, SOG
- ☐ Only record available attached.
- ☐ This matter is receiving attention and you will be advised at an early date.
- ☐ Supplementing FBI Laboratory report dated
- ☐ Records FBI's are furnished since there is a possibility that one may pertain to the subject in whom you are interested.
- ☐ Fingerprint files fail to disclose
- ☐ Confirming FBI wire of
- ☐ A wanted notice has not been placed as subject appears to be in custody.
- ☐ When you no longer desire your notice maintained, please advise.
- ☐ If you determine subject to be in custody, please advise so that your notice may be canceled.
- ☐ Subject of your inquiry searched in some indices only. Enclosed record(s) possibly identical. If identical, resubmit request and wanted (or flash) notice will be placed.
- ☐ If it is determined that the subject of this record is not the individual in whom you are interested, please advise.
- ☐ Your communication is returned.

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John Edgar Hoover  
Director



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110:47 PM URGENT 11-29-71 FLZ

TO DIRECTOR

SEATTLE

ALBUQUERQUE

SAN FRANCISCO

OKLAHOMA CITY

FROM CINCINNATI (164-55) 2P

UNSUB; HIJACKING OF NORTHWEST AIRLINES SEVEN TWO SEVEN JET, NOVEMBER  
TWENTY FOUR LAST. CAA HIGHJACKING; EXTORTION. OO: SEATTLE.

✓  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] ADVISED TODAY THAT THE COMPOSITE OF THE UNSUB APPEARING IN  
THE EVENING EDITION OF THE CINCINNATI POST AND TIMES STAR TODAY APPEAR

TO BE A MAN HE KNEW IN [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] THE MAN'S NAME IS [REDACTED] AND  
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] AT THAT TIME.

[REDACTED] STATED HE HAS NOT SEEN [REDACTED]

BUT HE HEARD FROM [REDACTED] IN ABOUT

[REDACTED] THAT [REDACTED] HAD BEEN IN SOME TROUBLE AND WAS IN THE  
SAN FRANCISCO AREA. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] WHICH WAS THE LAST CONTACT

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[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] PICTURE OF [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] CINCINNATI IS NOT OBTAINING PHOTO  
AT THIS TIME FOR DISPLAY TO WITNESSES BUT [REDACTED]  
IN CASE A CURRENT ONE CANNOT BE LOCATED.

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[REDACTED] DESCRIBED [REDACTED] AS SIX FOOT ONE, ONE EIGHT FIVE LBS.,  
THIRTY FIVE - THIRTY SIX AT PRESENT TIME, DARK BLOND HAIR, AND NO  
RECALLED PECULIARITIES OR CHARACTERISTICS.

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IT IS REQUESTED THAT ALBUQUERQUE AND SAN FRANCISCO LOCATE CURRENT  
PHOTOS OF [REDACTED] AND FORWARD SAME TO SEATTLE EXPEDITIOUSLY FOR DISPLAY  
TO WITNESSES.

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IT IS REQUESTED THAT OKLAHOMA CITY LOCATE AND INTERVIEW [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] FOR ANY ADDITIONAL INFO RE CURRENT LOCATION OF [REDACTED],  
PERSONAL BACKGROUND, OR BACKGROUND LEADING TO IDENTIFICATION OF  
[REDACTED] IN SAN FRANCISCO. EXPEDITIOUSLY FURNISH RESULTS TO  
SAN FRANCISCO AND SEATTLE.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 2/22/72

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT: NORJAK

On January 7, 1972, witness CORD SPRECKEL, business address 624 Yale Avenue North, Seattle, Washington, telephone number 623-2984, was shown the photographs of the following individuals whom he positively eliminated as the subject of the above captioned case: (SPRECKEL based this opinion on his observation of hijacker aboard the flight)

2. JOHN EMIL LIST, Sub. ~~306~~ 203

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5. GEORGE BRYAN SIEGRIST, [REDACTED] 202

13. RODNEY HOLBROOK PACK, [REDACTED] 232

14. WAYNE KING, Sub. 270

16. KENNETH DOWIE, Sub. 250

17. JOHN NEAL MARLEN, [REDACTED] 251

20. ANTHONY FERNANDEZ, [REDACTED] 23

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22. ROBERT HAROLD SHORES, [REDACTED] 107

27. GEORGE B. SIEGRIST, [REDACTED] 202

29. ROLAND CECIL LIND, [REDACTED] 42

30. PETER A. PARLO, [REDACTED] 145

31. JOHN NEAL MARLER, [REDACTED] 251

32. BUZZ (LNU), [REDACTED] 230

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TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 2/14/72

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: NORJAK

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On 2/11/72 the following photographs were shown to witness [REDACTED]

[REDACTED], Seattle.

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All were eliminated.

"BUZZ" (LNU) (SE164-81-1A142)

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ANTHONY (TONY) FERNANDEZ

ROLAND CECIL LIND  
JOHN NEAL MARLER  
ROBERT HAROLD SHORES

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)

DATE: 1/7/72

FROM : SA LOUIS M. HARRIS, JR.

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES  
FLIGHT 305  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING ; EXTORTION  
OO:SEATTLE  
BUfile 164-2111

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On 7/6/72

[redacted] Seattle, Washington was shown a group of photographs which are indicated below. This witness could not identify any of these suspects as being identical with instant hijacker based solely on the provided photo.

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1-164-81 [redacted] WAYNE KING

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[redacted] JAMES CONRAD CLIFFORD

100 JOHN EMIL LIST

[redacted] GEORGE BRYAN SIEGRIST

[redacted] RODNEY HOLBROOK PACK

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[REDACTED] JOHN NEAL MARLER  
[REDACTED] PETER A. PARLO

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[REDACTED] ANTHONY FERNANDEZ

[REDACTED] ROBERT HAROLD SHORES

[REDACTED] WILLIAM THOMAS EDWARDS

[REDACTED] GEORGE B. SIEGRIST

42 [REDACTED] ROLAND CECIL LIND

[REDACTED]  
270 WAYNE KING

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

12/15/71

SA ROBERT H. WICK

NORJACK

Rememo from SA [REDACTED], 12/9/71 (Serial #1058)

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RE: SUSPECT ROLAND C. LIND

On December 15, 1971, [REDACTED], Drivers Licenses, DMV, Olympia, Washington, made available the drivers license photograph of suspect LIND.

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ROLAND ~~XXXXX~~ CECIL LIND, 17034 122SE, Renton, Wash.,  
DOB: 8/31/23, 5' 9", 168, blue eyes, no restrictions.  
One speeding arrest at Seattle on May 6, 1971.

This photograph taken August 5, 1971.

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)(P)

DATE: 12/9/71

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT: UNSUB; aka Dan Cooper;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES  
FLIGHT #305  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: SEATTLE

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CHANGED

RE: SUSPECT ROLAND C. LIND, aka RON LIND

Marked "Changed" above to reflect suspect's true name and alias.

Re memo of SA [REDACTED] dated 11/29/71.

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On 12/2/71, [REDACTED], Security Office, Boeing Aircraft Company, Seattle, Washington, advised their personnel files contained only one file, on a RONALD JAMES LIND, which might be identical with the suspect referred to in above reference. He worked for Boeing from 9/16/63 until 3/26/65. He is described as born 1/29/44 in Springfield, Illinois, 5'8", 145 lbs., SSAN 328-36-1880. He resided at 5218 48th Ave, S.W., Seattle. It has since been determined, infra, that this individual is NOT the suspect referred to in referenced memo.

On 12/6/71, [REDACTED], telephonically advised that he had been contacted by representatives of [REDACTED] who were trying to locate suspect. He believes [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] unknown. [REDACTED] believes [REDACTED]

On 12/6/71, [REDACTED], Zales Jewelry store, 921 Southcenter Shopping Plaza, advised he could located no record of a purchase by [REDACTED]. He advised that the ring might have been purchased from another nearby Zales store in Renton.

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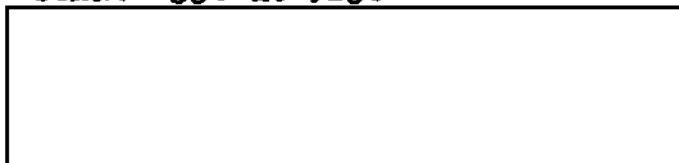
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RE: SUSPECT ROLAND C. LIND, AKA RON LIND

On 12/6/71, [REDACTED], Zales Jewelry Store, Renton Shopping Center, advised that he does have a record of a purchaser who bought a \$1000.00 diamond wedding set on credit. He advised, however, that this individual's name is [REDACTED] rather ROLAND C. LIND. He stated his store has been trying to locate LIND without success because he has not made his payments on the ring. He further stated that LIND'S employer, Jim's Chevron, Auburn, telephone TE.3-9190, advised Zales' representatives on 12/2/71 that LIND had left the Seattle area and was going to the state of Maryland. [REDACTED] further advised that his store had sent LIND two letters requesting payment which had been returned by the post office marked, "Moved. Left no address." [REDACTED] furnished LIND'S record with Zales, a review of which revealed the following information:

NAME: ROLAND C. LIND  
ADDRESS: 17034 122nd S.E., Renton  
SSAN: 558-16-9258



HIS PARENTS: Deceased  
FORMER ADDRESS: 6730 Rainier Ave., South  
DOB: 8/31/23  
FORMER EMPLOYERS: Metropolitan Transit,  
Dearborn St.  
Seattle, Washington  
  
Boeing Aircraft Co.  
Renton, Washington

[REDACTED] further described LIND from his own personal observation as follows:

HGT: 5'6" - 5'7"  
WGT: 150 lbs.  
BUILD: Slender  
HAIR: slightly graying  
EYES: possibly blue  
COMPLEXION: Light

[REDACTED] stated that LIND looked much older than the artists conception of the hijacker but that beside this difference, LIND looked something like the drawing.

RE: SUSPECT ROLAND C. LIND, AKA RON LIND

On 12-7-71, [redacted], Jim Hibel's Standard-Chevron Service, 1156 Auburn Way, South, Auburn, Washington, advised ROLAND LIND, whom everyone calls "Ron," worked at the station from August, 24, 1971 until October 24, 1971. LIND gave no reason for quitting but did mention that he was moving to Baltimore. LIND had mentioned that he was "going to work for some people in Baltimore" [redacted]

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[redacted] did not know what LIND meant by this statement.

[redacted] stated that LIND seemed troubled or despondent, believing LIND'S trouble to be financial. He did not know any of LIND'S friends and didn't know if LIND had ever had any flight or jump training. From his own observation, [redacted] described the suspect as follows:

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AGE: at least 50  
HGT: 5'9" - 5' 10"  
WGT: 160-175 lbs.

[redacted]  
HAIR: Combed back, high on the forehead  
FACE: Shorter, stockier than artist drawing and looking much older and heavier in the face  
AUTO: 1963 Chevrolet station wagon, white  
CHARAC: Wore glasses all the time

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SEATTLE, at Olympia, Washington  
Will attempt to obtain current photo from Department of Motor Vehicles, of suspect, ROLAND C. LIND

SEATTLE, AT Seattle  
Will conduct neighborhoods at suspect's known residences to determine his whereabouts.

SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)(P)

11/29/71

SA [REDACTED]

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UNSUB;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES  
FLIGHT #305,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING;  
EXTORTION  
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[REDACTED] phone [REDACTED] advised on November 27, 1971, that he suspects that RONALD LIND could have hijacked captioned aircraft. He said LIND was an ex-Navy flier and had a history of being in financial difficulties. He said LIND had recently purchased a \$1,000. diamond ring even though he has been laid off by The Boeing Company. He described LIND as being 5'8" or 5'9", hair - dark, graying in spots, occasionally wearing glasses, swarthy complexion. He said LIND currently resided in either Renton or Seattle.

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

12/16/71

SA [redacted]

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NORJAK

Re Anchorage letter to Seattle, 11/30/71.

On December 13, 1971, [redacted] was contacted at [redacted], Washington. [redacted] advised his current address is [redacted], Washington, and that he was visiting [redacted], Washington. [redacted] furnished the following address where [redacted] could be contacted: [redacted] Oregon. [redacted] furnished the following telephone number for [redacted]

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[redacted] advised he has not been in contact with [redacted] for some time. He advised that during the summer months they were employed by the Department of the Interior as smoke jumpers and since the summer months [redacted] has gone [redacted] Washington. [redacted] advised that [redacted] has not been in contact with him since they had last worked together.

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1148 PM NITEL 12/13/71 FEE

TO ANCHORAGE (164-59) --VIA WASH DC--

PORTLAND (164-41)

FROM SEATTLE (164-81) 1P

NORJAK.

RE BT NITEL NOVEMBER TWENTY-NINE, SEVENTY-ONE, TO AN AND PD  
AND SE; AN AIRTEL TO SE DECEMBER THREE LAST; SE TELETYPE TO PD  
DECEMBER EIGHT LAST, AND PD TELETYPE TO SE, AN AND BT DECEMBER  
TEN LAST.

SUSPECT [REDACTED] ELIMINATED AS HIJACKER. DISCONTINUE  
INVESTIGATION ON [REDACTED].

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7:08 PM URGENT 12-10-71 RMB

TO: SEATTLE

ANCHORAGE (VIA WASHINGTON D.C.)

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FROM: PORTLAND (164-41)

NORJACK

RE BT NITEL ELEVEN TWENTYNINE, SEVENTYONE TO AN, PD, SE, AND  
SE NITEL TWELVE EIGHT SEVENTYONE TO PD.

SUSPECT: [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] PERSONALLY CONTACTED BY SA [REDACTED] AT [REDACTED]

[REDACTED], DALLAS, OREGON AND IT WAS OBSERVED HE HAS [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] AND STATES HE WORKED ON  
ELEVEN TWENTYFOUR SEVENTYONE. HE DOES NOT RESEMBLE ARTIST'S  
SKETCH OF HIJACKER. MOTOR VEHICLE RECORDS, SALEM, OREGON DES-  
CRIBE [REDACTED] AS DOB [REDACTED], HEIGHT FIVE FEET TEN  
INCHES, WEIGHT ONE SIX ZERO POUNDS.

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7:22 PM NITEL 12/8/71 DCA

TO PORTLAND

FROM SEATTLE (164-81) (P) IP

UNSUB, AKA DAN COOPER; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR, SEVENTYONE. CAA -  
HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO: SE.

RE BUTTE TELETYPE TO ANCHORAGE, PORTLAND AND SEATTLE DATED  
NOVEMBER TWENTYNINE, LAST.

RE [REDACTED].

INVESTIGATION AT SEATTLE REVEALS SUSPECT [REDACTED]  
LISTED FORMER ADDRESS OF [REDACTED], DALLAS,  
OREGON. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]. SUSPECT DESCRIBED AS DOB [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]; FIVE FEET ELEVEN INCHES, ONE HUNDRED SIXTY LBS.,  
BROWN HAIR BLUE EYES, SSAN [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]. SUSPECT FORMERLY [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED].

PORTLAND REQUESTED TO LOCATE SUBJECT [REDACTED] TO DETERMINE  
SUBJECT'S WHEREABOUTS ON NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR LAST TO ELIMINATE OR  
CONFIRM [REDACTED] AS HIJACKER. IF UNABLE TO LOCATE, FORWARD BACKGROUND  
AND CURRENT PHOTO.

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TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)  
FROM: SAC, ANCHORAGE (164-59)(P)  
SUBJ: UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES  
FLIGHT 305,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: SEATTLE

Re Anchorage letter to Seattle, 11/30/71.

[redacted] was [redacted]  
[redacted], during [redacted]  
[redacted] He had SSAN [redacted]  
[redacted], did not have address  
[redacted] but believed he was [redacted]

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On 12/1/71 [redacted]  
[redacted], advised he viewed  
sketch of Unsub in local paper. He stated sketch could  
be of [redacted], however, he recalled [redacted] as having hair  
not as flat as in sketch.

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He added [redacted]  
[redacted]  
[redacted], and might possibly be able to identify jumper  
from sketch.

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[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

He added [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED].

On 12/1/71 [REDACTED]

[REDACTED], located the address for [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED].

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ANCHORAGE

At Anchorage, Alaska

Display sketch of Unsub to [REDACTED]  
Bar. to see if it resembles acquaintance who [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/3/71

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT: UNSUB;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES  
FLIGHT #305  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
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RE: SUSPECT [REDACTED]

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On 12/2/71, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] advised their  
[REDACTED] possibly identical  
to above-named suspect. This person is a [REDACTED]

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following descriptive information was obtained from a  
review of [REDACTED]

DOB: [REDACTED]  
POB: [REDACTED]  
HGT: 5' 11"  
WGT: 160 lbs.  
HAIR: Brown  
EYES: Blue  
MARITAL: [REDACTED]  
MILITARY: [REDACTED]  
EDUCATION: [REDACTED]

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FORMER ADDRESSES: [REDACTED]

SSAN: [REDACTED]  
EMPLOYMENT BACKGROUND: [REDACTED]

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Date: 12/2/71

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TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)  
 FROM: SAC, ANCHORAGE (164-59) (P)  
 SUBJ: UNKNOWN SUBJECT, aka Dan Cooper;  
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ReBTnitel to Anchorage 11/29/71, reANlet to  
 Seattle 11/30/71; reSElet to Albany 11/30/71.

Enclosed for Seattle Division are the original  
 and four copies of five separate investigative inserts  
 relating to [redacted] ED MAYFIELD [redacted]  
 (First Name Unknown) [redacted] and [redacted] (Last Name Unknown).

LEADSSEATTLE DIVISIONAt Seattle, Washington

For the Information of Seattle Division since  
 Anchorage Division is not fully aware of the investigation  
 conducted in this matter and since an evaluation is not  
 possible on the "Look alike" information as reported herein,  
 leads are being left to the discretion of the office  
 origin.

② - Seattle (Encs. 25) *Per [initials]*  
 2 - Anchorage  
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Approved: *[Signature]*  
 Special Agent in Charge

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ANCHORAGE DIVISION

At Anchorage, Alaska

Will report results of investigation being conducted at Fairbanks, Alaska, and any additional information received by Anchorage Division.

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SE 164-81  
JHF:rmm  
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RE: [REDACTED]

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On November 30, 1971, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] advised  
SA [REDACTED] that she could locate no record  
[REDACTED] in her personnel files. Subsequently  
on November 30, 1971, [REDACTED]  
telephone call to the [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] that [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] She further  
learned that during the period of time of [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] She stated that  
[REDACTED]  
photographs of [REDACTED].

[REDACTED] advised she further made inquiry  
in the [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] advised that she could not  
determine if [REDACTED] ever had a personnel file as such  
in view of the fact that he was [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] several years ago but stated that if  
it became necessary to positively determine this that she  
would review further records to determine if there was a  
personnel file and for its present location.

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[REDACTED]  
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SE 164-81  
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RE: [REDACTED]

On November 30, 1971, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED], advised  
SA [REDACTED] that she could locate no record  
[REDACTED] in her personnel files. Subsequently  
on November 30, 1971, [REDACTED]  
telephone call to the [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] that [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] She further  
learned that during the period of time of [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] She stated that

photographs of [REDACTED].

[REDACTED] advised she further made inquiry  
in the [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] advised that she could not  
determine if [REDACTED] ever had a personnel file as such  
in view of the fact that he was [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] several years ago but stated that if  
it became necessary to positively determine this that she  
would review further records to determine if there was a  
personnel file and for its present location.

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SAC, SEATTLE(164- )

11/30/71

SAC, ANCHORAGE(164-59)(P)

UNSUB;Northwest Airlines  
Flight 305, Portland to  
Seattle, November 24, 1971  
CAA-Hijacking; Extortion  
00:Seattle

Re Butte teletype to Anchorage, Portland, and  
Seattle, 11/29/71.

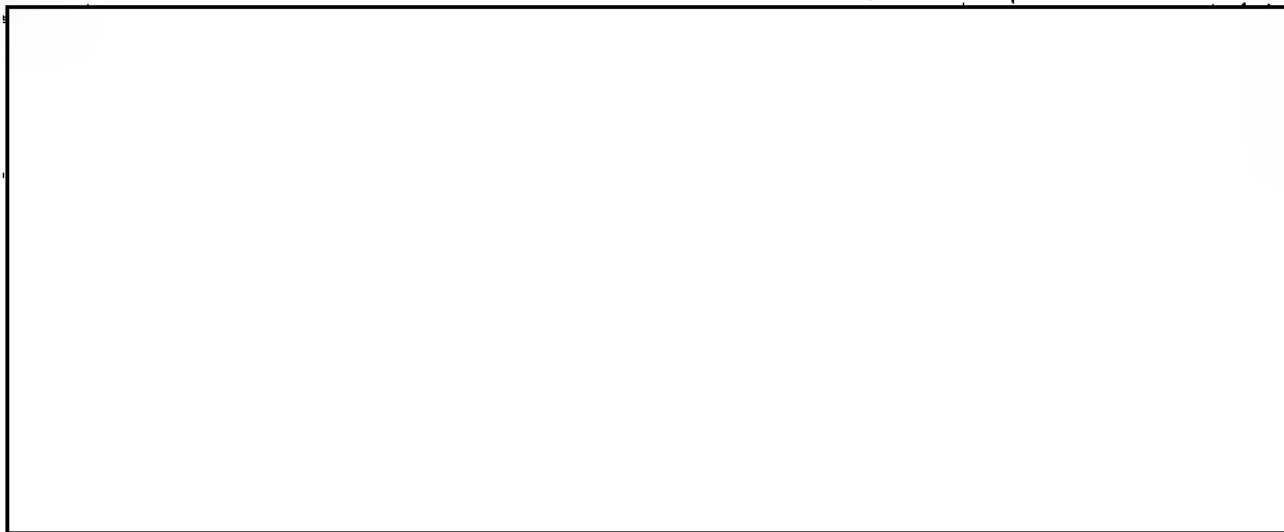
Following investigation conducted at Fairbanks, Alaska, by  
SA [redacted] on 11/30/71:

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[redacted], Bureau of Land Management, advised [redacted]  
[redacted] was employed as [redacted]  
[redacted]. Employment records were destroyed. He recalled  
[redacted] resided in a small town in Western  
Oregon. [redacted]

[redacted], advised  
as follows:

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In the summer of 1970, [redacted] worked for an un[redacted]

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employer in [redacted]. He resided  
[redacted]  
address.

In [redacted] was a [redacted]  
[redacted] Oregon. [redacted]  
his home was in [redacted], Oregon.

[redacted] made available [redacted]  
[redacted] which he would like returned when no  
longer needed by F.B.I. He said [redacted] still resembles  
photographs.

The [redacted] are enclosed.

[redacted] described [redacted] as follows:

Sex	Male
Race	White
Age	40 years
Height	6'
Weight	165 pounds
Hair	Dark brown, wavy
Marital status	Single
Characteristics	Wears glasses; smokes cigarettes;

[redacted]

No arrest record for [redacted] located with Fairbanks  
Police Department or Alaska State Police. In [redacted]  
was questioned by the Alaska State Troopers concerning his  
[redacted]

#### LEADS

##### SEATTLE DIVISION

##### At Seattle, Washington

Return enclosures to Anchorage Division when no  
longer needed

##### At Tacoma, Washington

Interview [redacted] concerning  
[redacted] whereabouts.

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ANCHORAGE DIVISION

At Fairbanks, Alaska

Will attempt to locate [ ] employer in [ ]  
for additional background information.

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NR 003 BT PLAIN

10:02 PM 11-29-71 NITEL DD

TO: ANCHORAGE VIA WASHINGTON DC.

SAC, PORTLAND

SAC, SEATTLE

FROM: SAC, BUTTE (164-26) 1P

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTY FOUR, SEVENTY ONE.

CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO: SEATTLE.

[REDACTED] KALISPELL, MONTANA,  
ADVISED AFTER VIEWING COMPOSITE PHOTOGRAPH OF UNSUB. IN  
SPOKANE PAPER NOVEMBER TWO NINE, COMPOSITE RESEMBLED ONE

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[REDACTED] SEATTLE AREA. PHOTOGRAPH SHOULD  
BE ON FILE WITH BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT, ANCHORAGE.

ANCHORAGE OBTAIN PHOTO OF [REDACTED] AND FORWARD TO SEATTLE.

SEATTLE ASCERTAIN BACKGROUND OF [REDACTED].

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PORTLAND CHECK [REDACTED] OREGON FOR BACKGROUND AND  
PHOTO.

END.

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AIR MAIL

TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)  
FROM: SAC, SACRAMENTO (164-50) (P)  
SUBJECT: NORJAK

Re Sacramento teletype to Portland and Seattle,  
11/30/71, and Seattle nitel to Portland and Sacramento,  
12/30/71.

[redacted] have been interviewed at the St. Francis Hotel, Susanville, California. Both persons stated that the man who was in the bar at the St. Francis Cafe and at the State Cafe on the evening of 11/28/71 displaying a large number of bills and attempting to get someone to drive him out of town departing in a white sedan, but neither could establish the make or model estimating about a 1965 Chevrolet. [redacted] advised the license number was written down by an unrecalled bar patron and was handed to him on a slip of paper.

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The composite photograph of unknown subject was displayed to [redacted] and both stated that the person who they observed on the evening of 11/28/71 do not at all resemble the composite. They both stated that the individual they had been describing very much looked like an Indian and was considerably heavier in his facial features.

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2 - Sacramento

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NR007 SE PLAIN

6:58 PM NITEL 12/30/71 RED

TO PORTLAND 164-41

SACRAMENTO 164-50

FROM SEATTLE 164-81 1P

NORJAK.

RE: UNSUB OBSERVED AT SUSANVILLE, CALIFORNIA ON NOVEMBER  
TWENTYEIGHT, NINETEEN SEVENTY-ONE.

SACRAMENTO IS REQUESTED TO ADVISE RESULTS OF DISPLAY OF  
COMPOSITE TO [REDACTED] AT SUSANVILLE, CALIFORNIA AND  
TO RECONTACT THEM CONCERNING LICENSE NUMBER OF VEHICLE OBSERVED.

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PORTLAND HOLD IN ABEYANCE ANY FURTHER INFORMATION UNTIL  
RECEIPT OF INFORMATION FROM SACRAMENTO.

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PD HOLD (AJW)

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NR 013 PD PLAIN

6:15 PM URGENT 12-22-71 AJW

TO: SEATTLE (164-81)

SACRAMENTO (164-50)

FROM: PORTLAND (164-41) 2P

NORJAK.

RE SACRAMENTO TELETYPE TO PORTLAND AND SEATTLE, NOVEMBER THIRTY SEVENTYONE.

RE OREGON LICENSE [REDACTED] REGISTERED TO

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[REDACTED]  
OREGON LICENSE IDENTIFIED AS BEING REGISTERED TO [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]  
OREGON. OREGON DRIVER'S LICENSES DO NOT CONTAIN PICTURES.

[REDACTED] STATES HE HAS NOT BEEN OUT OF OREGON FOR PAST SIX YEARS. HE OWNED NINETEEN FIFTYONE CHEVROLET PICKUP, OREGON LICENSE [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED], WHICH HE SOLD SEVERAL MONTHS AGO TO USED CAR LOT, MAIN STREET AND SOUTH A, SPRINGFIELD, OREGON, WHICH HAS GONE OUT OF BUSINESS.

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SACRAMENTO WILL DETERMINE IF SUSPECT ENTERED NINETEEN FIFTYONE CHEVROLET PICKUP OR ANOTHER TYPE VEHICLE.

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SEATTLE WILL ADVISE IF ADDITIONAL INVESTIGATION DESIRED TO  
LOCATE RECENT OWNER OF  CAR.

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NR 05 SC PLAIN

11:54 AM URGENT 11/30/71 VLS

TO PORTLAND (164-41)

SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM SACRAMENTO (164-50) 2P

*Unsub.  
man observed at  
Susanville, Calif  
11/20/71*

UNSUB; NORTHWEST ORIENT AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, NOVEMBER TWENTY FOUR, LAST. CAA-HIJACKING; EXTORTION. 00: SEATTLE.

THIS DATE, SGT. [REDACTED], LASSEN COUNTY, CALIFORNIA SHERIFF'S OFFICE, SUSANVILLE, CALIFORNIA, ADVISED THAT ON NOVEMBER TWENTY EIGHT, LAST, AN UNKNOWN PERSON DESCRIBED AS WHITE MALE, DARK COMPLECTED, APPEARING SOMEWHAT INDIAN, BUT NO INDIAN, SIX FEET - SIX FEET TWO INCHES, BLUE DENIM TROUSERS, BROWN COWBOY HAT, WHITE SWEATER, WAS IN STATE CAFE AND BAR AND ROUNDUP ROOM, AT WHICH BAR IN SUSANVILLE HE HAD BEEN DRINKING, AND OFFERED PERSONS FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS TO DRIVE HIM OUT OF TOWN. THIS PERSON WAS OBSERVED TO HAVE A LARGE NUMBER OF BILLS IN HIS WALLET, DENOMINATIONS NOT KNOWN.

PERSON DESCRIBED WAS OBSERVED ENTERING AUTOMOBILE BEARING

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OREGON LICENSE [REDACTED]. THIS PERSON WAS OBSERVED BY

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[REDACTED]  
PORTLAND AT PORTLAND. IDENTIFY THE OWNER OF OREGON LICENSE  
[REDACTED]. OBTAIN COPY OF DRIVER'S LICENSE FOR DISPLAY  
TO WITNESSES AT SEATTLE AND TO [REDACTED] AT SUSANVILLE.  
CONDUCT CREDIT AND ARREST INVESTIGATION.

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SACRAMENTO AT SUSANVILLE. WILL DISPLAY COMPOSITE PHOTO OF  
UNSUB TO [REDACTED].

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END

JJT FBI SEATTLE CLR

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)

DATE: 9/12/72

FROM : SA RONALD N. NICHOLS

SUBJECT: NORJAK  
OO: SEATTLE

RE: DEMONSTRATION OF PHOTOGRAPHS  
TO WITNESSES

On 9/5/72, witness [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED], telephone [REDACTED],  
was exhibited photographs of the following individuals:

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STEWART O. KIME

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RAYMOND D. BERRYHILL

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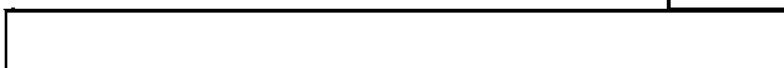
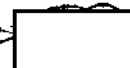
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S. L. PETERSON

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DOUGLAS GIBSON BURNS



With the exception of PETERSON, CATHEY, BURNS, and [REDACTED] stated none of the other individuals bore any resemblance to the hijacker, and in his opinion, are not identical with him. [REDACTED] stated PETERSON's lips and wide forehead remind him of the hijacker; however, PETERSON's picture shows him to be a little heavier than Unsub with not enough hair.

[REDACTED] stated that CATHEY's wide forehead reminds him of the hijacker; however, CATHEY does not appear to have enough hair and lacks the Mexican or Indian characteristics that [REDACTED] noted in the hijacker.

[REDACTED] stated BURNS' and [REDACTED] hairlines were similar to the hijacker but they lacked the Mexican characteristic also.

[REDACTED] further advised that in his opinion none of the individuals were the hijacker.

SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)

12/4/71

SA THOMAS J. MANNING

UNSUB;  
Northwest Flight Number 305,  
Portland to Seattle, 11/24/71  
CAA\*- HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: Seattle

Re memo of SA THOMAS J. MANNING to SAC, 11/29/71

As attachments to this memorandum are enclosed one (1) photograph of [redacted] and one (1) photograph of DOUGLAS G. BURNS plus a FD, San Francisco report on Burns. b6  
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1A (S) Referenced memo listed [redacted] as a good suspect in captioned matter and he does meet the physical description and since the writer knows this man personally it can be attested to that he does have an olive complexion and could be taken for a person of Latin extraction. The only problem with [redacted] appears to be his ears [redacted] b6  
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BURNS was suggested by [redacted] Undersheriff, [redacted] SO, [redacted] BURNS is listed in files of FBI Seattle and his name is in the indices as a result of investigation conducted concerning him some time ago. b6  
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None of the attached items have to be returned to contributors.

(2) (Attachments 2)  
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[Handwritten signatures and initials]

DB COOPER 44802



SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

11/29/71

SA THOMAS J. MANNING

UNKNOWN SUBJECT;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES  
FLIGHT #305,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: SEATTLE

On November 29, 1971 [redacted] in  
[redacted] Washington, [redacted]  
[redacted], advised that he feels that [redacted]  
should be considered a logical suspect in captioned hijacking.  
He advised that [redacted] meets the physical description of the  
hijacker and further that a short time ago [redacted]

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[redacted]  
[redacted] proficient in [redacted] stated that he did not take  
[redacted] offer but is quite sure that [redacted] would be an  
individual who would have enough nerve to attempt to  
perpetrate a hijacking of this type in captioned matter.

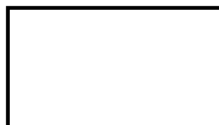
The records of the [redacted] Sheriff's Office  
reflected that [redacted] is White, Male, American, 5'10", 165 lbs.,  
in [redacted] brown eyes, medium complexion, DOB [redacted] It is  
to be noted that [redacted] was the subject of a 91 matter in Seattle  
Division and his name is indexed in Seattle indices.

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Investigation November 29, 1971 in vicinity of location  
furnished by Northwest Airlines Flight operations negative to  
date on individual observing a person meeting the description  
of the person depicted in the composite photograph. Weather  
conditions precluded continuance of air search but it is anticipated  
with clearing weather conditions on November 30, 1971 a helicopter  
from Bonneville Power, Vancouver, Washington, and possibly a  
private helicopter from Kelso, Washington, will be authorized  
to conduct an intensive air search in the vicinity of the  
spot pinpointed by Northwest Airlines.

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Investigation to contact doctor's clinics and hospitals from Longview to Vancouver, Washington negative to date. These contacts are being continued.

FBI

Date: 5/30/74

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111) &amp; SAC, DALLAS (164-191)

FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) ~~SUB-P~~ (P)

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NORJAK. OO: SEATTLE

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CREW STATED THAT APPROXIMATELY 15 MEN WERE ACTUALLY

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Approved: [Signature]  
Special Agent in ChargeWA-7 5/31 (mss)  
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Approved: \_\_\_\_\_  
Special Agent in Charge

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

2/7/72

SAC, ANCHORAGE (164-59) (P)

NORJAX

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ReSEairtel 1/25/72.

CONSIDER UNSUB DANGEROUS.

Enclosed for Seattle are the original and four copies of an investigative insert concerning JOHN E. SCHLEGEL.

Since it has been determined that SCHLEGEL was on duty 11/23, 24 and 25/71 no further investigation is being conducted by the Anchorage Division concerning this individual.

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AN 164-59  
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RE: JOHN E. SCHLEGEL

The following investigation was conducted by  
SA ROBERT H. TOHR at Anchorage, Alaska:

On February 1, 1972, [redacted]  
Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Anchorage, Alaska,  
searched the records of [redacted] and determined that  
JOHN E. SCHLEGEL was employed as a Fire Control Technician  
during the period September 30, 1970, to September 15, 1971,  
when his job was terminated because of [redacted] of funds.  
According to the file he resided at [redacted]  
Anchorage, [redacted] resided  
at [redacted]. According  
to the file SCHLEGEL was born October 23, 1927, and had  
Social Security Number 064-20-3326.

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On February 1, 1972, [redacted]  
[redacted], BLM, Campbell Airstrip, Anchorage, advised  
that [redacted] SCHLEGEL's employment  
with BLM as a Fire Control Technician. He stated that  
SCHLEGEL presently lives on [redacted] in Anchorage  
[redacted]. Since he left BLM  
employment he went to work at Elmendorf Air Force Base  
(EAFB). [redacted] observed the artist's conception of  
the subject in this matter and stated it was his opinion  
that SCHLEGEL did not look anything like the individual  
in this conception. He stated that SCHLEGEL is about  
5'7" tall, and his left leg bows out because it was not  
set properly after having been broken several times.

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On February 3, 1972, inquiry at the Civilian  
Base Locator, EAFB, determined that SCHLEGEL is employed  
by the 21st Field Maintenance Squadron.

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On February 3, 1972, Master Sergeant [ ]  
[ ] EAFB, advised  
that JOHN E. SCHLEGEL was hired on November 1, 1971, as  
a temporary ground equipment mechanic helper. The  
records reveal that SCHLEGEL was born October 23, 1927,  
and resides at Box 4-1058, Anchorage, telephone number  
344-8935. Sergeant [ ] was exhibited the artist  
conception of the unknown subject in this matter and  
he stated that the individual in this photograph did  
not look like SCHLEGEL. Furthermore, he checked the  
employment records and stated that SCHLEGEL was working  
8 AM to 4 PM on November 23, 24 and 25, 1971.

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1/25/72

AIRTEL

AIRMAIL

TO: SAC, ANCHORAGE

FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)(P)

SUBJECT: NORJAK

RE: JOHN SCHLEGAL

[redacted], Washington, [redacted]  
[redacted], advised that unsub closely resembles JOHN SCHLEGAL who was a former smoke jumper. [redacted] did not know SCHLEGAL's present whereabouts but suggested that this might be obtained through Aerial Fire Depot, Missoula, Montana.

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Records, Smoke Jumpers Center, Missoula, Montana, reflected SCHLEGAL worked as a smoke jumper in 1954, 1955, 1956, 1957 and 1958, and last employment shown is by Bureau of Land Management. Notation in file at Forest Service Smoke Jumpers Center indicates SCHLEGAL may be employed by Bureau of Land Management, Anchorage, Alaska.

LEAD:

ANCHORAGE

AT ANCHORAGE, ALASKA Will determine whether SCHLEGAL is employed by Bureau of Land Management, Anchorage, and conduct appropriate investigation to eliminate him in this matter.

2 - Anchorage  
② - Seattle  
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NR 003 BT PLAIN

6:04 PM 1-24-72 NITEL DD

TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: SAC, BUTTE (164-26) 2P

NORJACK.

RE SUSPECT JOHN SCHLEGAL.

RECORDS SMOKEJUMPERS CENTER, MISSOULA, MONTANA, REFLECT SCHLEGAL WORKED AS SMOKEJUMPER IN NINETEEN FIFTYFOUR, NINETEEN FIFTYFIVE, NINETEEN FIFTYSIX, NINETEEN FIFTYSEVEN, AND NINETEEN FIFTYEIGHT. LAST EMPLOYED BY BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT (BLM).

SEARCH OF FOREST SERVICE RECORDS AND BLM RECORDS MISSOULA AND HELENA, MONTANA, FAILED TO DISCLOSE SCHLEGAL'S PRESENT LOCATION. NOTATION IN FILE AT FOREST SERVICE SMOKE JUMPERS CENTER INDICATES MAY BE EMPLOYED BY BLM, ANCHORAGE, ALASKA.

BUTTE UNABLE TO DETERMINE IF SCHLEGAL HAS BEEN ELIMINATED AS SUSPECT. LEAD AT ANCHORAGE, ALASKA, BEING  
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TO BUTTE

FROM SEATTLE (164-81) 1P

UNKNOWN SUBJECT; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT NUMBER THREE ZERO FIVE,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTY-FOUR, NINETEEN SEVENTY-ONE;  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION; OO: SEATTLE.

[REDACTED], WASHINGTON, [REDACTED], ADVISED  
ARTIST'S CONCEPTION OF SUBJECT CLOSELY RESEMBLES JOHN SCHLEGAL,  
MISSOULA, MONTANA, [REDACTED] FORMER SMOKE JUMPER. [REDACTED] SAYS  
SCHLEGAL'S PRESENT WHEREABOUTS UNKNOWN TO HIM BUT POSSIBLY CAN  
BE LOCATED THROUGH AERIAL FIRE DEPOT, MISSOULA, MONTANA.

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BUTTE AT MISSOULA, MONTANA, WILL CONTACT AERIAL FIRE DEPOT  
IN EFFORT TO LOCATE LOOK-ALIKE JOHN SCHLEGAL, FORMER SMOKE JUMPER.  
END

FLC FBI BUTTE

DB COOPER-44814

*Sub. 46*  
*164-81-258*

12-13-71

AIRTEL

AIRMAIL /

TO : SAC, PORTLAND (164-41)  
FROM : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)  
SUBJECT: MORJAX

SUSPECT - [REDACTED]  
SUSPECT - [REDACTED]

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Re Portland tel to Seattle 12-6-71.

Enclosed for Portland is one group photograph supplied by [REDACTED], Vancouver, Washington.

On November 27, 1971, [REDACTED] was interviewed by Bureau Agent at [REDACTED] Washington. During the interview [REDACTED] was exhibited a group photograph [REDACTED] as well as a composite of the UNSUB. [REDACTED] was not exhibited a group of mug shots; however, he may have assumed the photo was a mug shot.

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It should be noted that the enclosed photograph is the personal property of [REDACTED], Vancouver, Washington, and he has requested its return when we are through with it.

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LEADS

PORTLAND

AT MILWAUKEE, OREGON

Will exhibit enclosed photograph to [REDACTED] to determine if he can identify [REDACTED].

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③ - Seattle

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)

12/8/71

SA [REDACTED]

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UNSUB;  
Northwest Airlines Flight  
#305,  
Portland to Seattle,  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING;  
EXTORTION  
OO: SEATTLE

Re: Suspect [REDACTED]

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Re: Seattle tel to Portland dated 11/30/71.

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[REDACTED], dob [REDACTED] was contacted by the  
writer of this memo on November 27, 1971, at [REDACTED],  
[REDACTED] was observed  
by the writer to be approximately 5'7" tall and weigh well  
over 200 pounds. A photograph of [REDACTED] was obtained through  
the Clark County Sheriff's Office, which bears a striking  
resemblance to [REDACTED], at the present time, even though the  
photograph was taken on [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] advised he can be contacted in [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED], at phone number [REDACTED].

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Because of [REDACTED] physical description, it is  
recommended that he be discontinued as a prime suspect in  
this matter. [REDACTED]

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1:04 PM URGENT 12-6-71 LJO

TO: SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: PORTLAND (164-41) 2P

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO  
SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTY FOUR, SEVENTY ONE. CAA DASH HIJACKING;  
EXTORTION. OO: SEATTLE.

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[REDACTED] X  
[REDACTED] WASHINGTON, ADVISED HE WAS INTERVIEWED BY TWO FBI AGENTS  
FROM LONGVIEW ON NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR, SEVENTYONE, AND SHOWN A  
NUMBER OF "MUG SHOTS". HE NOW BELIEVES THAT "MUG SHOT" IN UPPER  
LEFT HAND CORNER OF THOSE SHOWN TO HIM MIGHT BE IDENTICAL TO ONE

[REDACTED] HE DESCRIBED  
[REDACTED] AS ABOUT FIVE FEET TEN OR ELEVEN INCHES, ONE HUNDRED  
SEVENTY FIVE POUNDS, DARK, AND IN HIS [REDACTED]  
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[ ] DESIRES TO SEE SAME "MUG SHOT" AGAIN.

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SEATTLE AT SEATTLE. ATTEMPT TO DETERMINE WHAT PHOTOGRAPHS WERE  
SHOWN TO [ ] IN ORDER THAT SAME PHOTOGRAPH CAN BE FORWARDED TO  
PORTLAND DIVISION TO RE SHOW TO HIM.

WILL, IN EVENT ANY OF PHOTOGRAPHS SHOWN TO HIM ARE POSSIBLY  
IDENTICAL WITH [ ], SET OUT LEADS TO IDENTIFY OR ELIMINATE  
[ ] AS SUSPECT.

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PORTLAND AT [ ] MAINTAIN CONTACT WITH [ ]

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Date: 11/30/71

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TO : SAC, PORTLAND (164-41)

FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

UNKNOWN SUBJECT; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT NO. THREE  
ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTY FOUR,  
NINETEEN SEVENTY ONE, CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO: SE.

RE SEATTLE TEL TO PORTLAND, NOVEMBER TWENTY NINE,  
NINETEEN SEVENTY ONE, WHEREIN LEADS SET FORTH TO INTERVIEW  
TED MAYFIELD [REDACTED] RE IDENTITY OF UNKNOWN  
SUSPECT.

ON NOVEMBER THIRTY, NINETEEN SEVENTY ONE, [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] SEATTLE, RECALLED NAME OF UNKNOWN SUSPECT AS [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] WHO IS CURRENTLY PURPORTED TO BE [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] WASHINGTON.

PORTLAND DISCONTINUE. SEATTLE WILL CHECK OUT [REDACTED]  
AT [REDACTED] WASHINGTON.

ADMINISTRATIVE: FOR BACKGROUND ONE XEROX COPY OF MEMO  
OF SA [REDACTED] 11/26/71 SHOULD ACCOMPANY [REDACTED]  
LEAD. [REDACTED] PROBABLY IDENTICAL WITH [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] PREVIOUSLY INTERVIEWED IN [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] BY FBI AT [REDACTED] AND CLAIMED  
PERSECUTION BY PORTLAND PD AND LAW ENFORCEMENT IN GENERAL [REDACTED]

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Approved: (2)

Special Agent in Charge

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Per

DB COOPER 44819

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Date 3/2/90

TO : SAC, DENVER (164A-SE-81)  
 FROM : SAC, SEATTLE (164A-SE-81) (P)  
 SUBJECT: NORJAK  
 OO: SEATTLE

Re subject DONALD OTIS BURNWORTH, SUB 48 and  
 Minneapolis airtel to Denver dated 7/14/89.

Reference airtel requested the Denver Division to  
 locate and interview [redacted] Denver,  
 Colorado, telephone number [redacted] concerning information  
 about suspect BURNWORTH. A review of Seattle's file fails to  
 indicate that it has received a copy of the results of that  
 investigation.

LEAD:DENVER DIVISIONAT DENVER, COLORADO

Will forward to Seattle the results of that  
 investigation so that this matter might be brought to a logical  
 conclusion.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS

2 - Denver  
 1 - Minneapolis (Info)  
 ② - Seattle

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SUB 48

# Memorandum



To : SAC, SEATTLE

Date 12/28/89

From : SAC, DENVER (164A-SE-81) (RUC)

Subject: NORJAK;  
OO: SEATTLE

Re Seattle airtel to Denver, dated 7/31/89.

Enclosed for the information of Seattle are two copies of an insert reflecting investigation conducted in the Denver field division and the original and one copy of an FD-302 reflecting an interview with [redacted] at Arvada, Colorado.

Denver indices reflect that [redacted] was involved in [redacted] at Boulder, Colorado, during [redacted]

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1 - Denver  
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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent [redacted] at Denver, Colorado.

On September 7, 1989, Denver telephone number [redacted] was contacted in an effort to locate [redacted]. It was determined through conversation with the subscriber to that telephone, [redacted] Denver, Colorado, as well as confirmation through US WEST crisscross directories that that number is assigned to [redacted] advised that [redacted] is unknown to her.

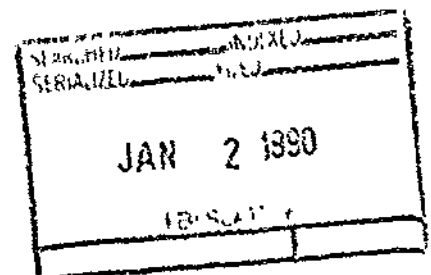
A review of the Intrawest crisscross directory and the US WEST telephone directory determined that there is only one listing in the Denver, metropolitan area for [redacted].

On September 7, 1989, [redacted] telephone number [redacted] was contacted concerning the "unsolved mysteries" television broadcast in October of 1988. [redacted] advised that he had never contacted the FBI concerning that show and has no information to furnish. In addition, he has never heard of [redacted].

AT NORTHGLENN, COLORADO

On September 9, 1989, [redacted] Northglenn, Colorado [redacted], residence telephone number [redacted], was contacted concerning information he may have relating to DON BURNWORTH and BURNWORTH's relationship to the hijacking of a Northwest airlines flight in Seattle, Washington, in 1971.

[redacted] advised that he saw a television program "UNSOLVED MYSTERIES" and realized that a [redacted] DON BURNWORTH could conceivably be the D. B. COOPER. He stated that BURNWORTH is currently a United Airlines Pilot and that he formerly resided [redacted] residence. [redacted] stated that there was considerable gossip in prior years [redacted] and a [redacted] concerning BURNWORTH and the fact that BURNWORTH could be D. B. COOPER. [redacted] stated that [redacted] that BURNWORTH is D. B. COOPER. [redacted] further noted that the [redacted] was named [redacted] and that BURNWORTH's initials are D. B.



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AT THORNTON, COLORADO

On September 7, 1989, [redacted] Thornton, Colorado [redacted], business telephone number [redacted], was contacted concerning DON BURNWORTH.

[redacted] stated that [redacted] is a [redacted]. He stated that both [redacted] knew DON BURNWORTH, and based on statements made by BURNWORTH, they feel there is a possibility that BURNWORTH could be D. B. COOPER, who is responsible for the hijacking of a Northwest airlines plane from Seattle, Washington, in 1971. [redacted] stated that several years ago, [redacted]

[redacted] He described the [redacted] the Northwest airlines airplane by COOPER. He believes that [redacted] who resides on [redacted] in Denver, Colorado, may still have [redacted]. BURNWORTH has a [redacted] in Arvada, Colorado, and that [redacted] has knowledge concerning BURNWORTH's relationship to D. B. COOPER.

AT DENVER, COLORADO

On September 7, 1989, [redacted] Denver, Colorado, was contacted at her residence where she has telephone number [redacted].

[redacted] was contacted concerning DON BURNWORTH. She stated that she has [redacted] to BURNWORTH. She met BURNWORTH [redacted]. She explained that she and her former husband, [redacted] the [redacted] located in Thornton, Colorado.

On one occasion, [redacted] D. B. COOPER in connection with the hijacking of a Northwest airlines flight in 1971. In her opinion, [redacted] She [redacted] several years ago. She believes that [redacted] and does not believe that BURNWORTH is D. B. COOPER.

AT ARVADA, COLORADO

On September 11, 1989, [redacted] was interviewed at [redacted] Arvada, Colorado [redacted], where she had business telephone number [redacted]

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[redacted] stated that she is [redacted] and in addition [redacted] in Denver, Colorado, and formerly had a [redacted] in Las Vegas, Nevada. She originally met DONALD BURNWORTH in [redacted] and [redacted]. The [redacted] and [redacted]. She described [redacted] who is a [redacted]. She stated that BURNWORTH is a pilot for UNITED AIRLINES and she believes that he currently resides at 6650 Quitman Court, Arvada, Colorado. She described BURNWORTH as being obsessed with D. B. COOPER and during the time [redacted] dealing with COOPER. BURNWORTH claimed to have been arrested by the FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION in San Francisco, California, in 1974 or 1975, for being D. B. COOPER.

At one time, BURNWORTH [redacted] his D. B. COOPER [redacted] and [redacted]. He made numerous requests of her [redacted]. He appeared to be obsessed with the law, courts, and lawsuits, and in an effort to appease him, [redacted] in Seattle, Washington, [redacted]. She made [redacted] at which point [redacted] COOPER did not bail out of the BOEING 727 aircraft. Instead, after the cabin attendants were sent forward to the cockpit area, COOPER actually hid in the ceiling area above the passenger compartment in the interior of the aircraft, and after it returned to Seattle, Washington, and was searched, he walked off the airplane.

[redacted]  
[redacted].

She recalls seeing drawings of D. B. COOPER, and indicated that BURNWORTH does resemble those drawings. [redacted] claims to have [redacted] recalls seeing [redacted]; however, she does not [redacted].

She characterized BURNWORTH as a [redacted] who is obsessed with D. B. COOPER and who [redacted]. She believes that he could possibly be D. B. COOPER. She believes that BURNWORTH was born in February of 1931, and that he is still employed as a pilot for UNITED AIRLINES, is a member of the JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES CHURCH and as stated earlier, resides in Arvada, Colorado.

## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

10/16/89

Date of transcription

[redacted] was interviewed at his residence, [redacted] Colorado [redacted] is a white male who furnished his date of birth as [redacted].

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[redacted] advised that he is [redacted] and has been employed in that capacity since [redacted]. He had [redacted] and he was [redacted]. During that time of unemployment, he was working for [redacted]. From approximately August of [redacted], until the very end of November [redacted] or early December 1971, he was residing in the [redacted] in connection with [redacted] employment.

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[redacted] admitted to having an interest in D. B. COOPER and the hijacking of a NORTHWEST AIRLINES plane from Seattle, Washington in November of 1971. [redacted] claims that the hijacking was done by [redacted]. The motive for [redacted] action. By way of explanation, [redacted] stated that he was [redacted].

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[redacted]. Because of [redacted]

[redacted] indicated that he [redacted] hijacking and again reiterated that he has a great interest and knowledge concerning the subject. He is convinced of [redacted]

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He believes that COOPER is alive, was [redacted] and that COOPER escaped from the airplane by hiding in the stairway area in the rear of the airplane behind the canvas covers which were in place in Boeing 727 aircraft at that time.

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Investigation on 9/28/89 at [redacted] Colorado

by SA [redacted]

Date dictated

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Continuation of FD-302 of [REDACTED]

On 9/28/89, Page 2

[REDACTED] indicated that he has been interviewed by the FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION in connection with this matter on prior occasions. Specifically, the first interview was in December of 1971 when he was telephonically contacted by Special Agent [REDACTED] of the Washington D.C., FBI office concerning the hijacking. This occurred shortly after [REDACTED].

Thereafter, he was again interviewed by an Agent in San Francisco, California, in early 1972. This interview took place at the [REDACTED] at San Francisco [REDACTED]. He does not recall the Agents name but does know that [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] by COOPER.

Also, in [REDACTED], he was [REDACTED] California, and he was again interviewed by FBI Agents in connection with the hijacking.

In conclusion, [REDACTED] stated that [REDACTED] has a knowledge of this hijacking indicating that [REDACTED] with former FBI Director CLARENCE KELLY. In conclusion, [REDACTED] denied being D.B. COOPER himself.

The following physical description was noted during the course of the interview:

Race:	White
Sex:	Male
Hair:	Brown, turning gray, with combed straight back.
	[REDACTED] has a full head of hair

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Eyes:	Blue
Height:	5'11"
Weight:	185 pounds
Face:	<div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 350px; height: 30px;"></div>

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## PRECEDENCE:

☐ Immediate  
☐ Priority  
☐ Routine

## CLASSIFICATION:

☐ TOP SECRET  
☐ SECRET  
☐ CONFIDENTIAL  
☐ UNCLAS E F T O  
☐ UNCLAS

Date 7/14/89

TO: SAC, DENVER (164A-SE-81)  
 FROM: SAC, MINNEAPOLIS (164A-SE-81) (P)  
 SUBJECT: NORJAC;  
 AIRCRAFT HIJACKING - CAA  
 OO: SEATTLE

On 7/6/89, [redacted], telephonically contacted the Minneapolis Office. He advised that he had recently learned that the FBI is still pursuing all leads in captioned matter. He advised that [redacted], Denver, Colorado, has information to furnish to the FBI concerning captioned matter and a captain who is employed by United Airlines named DON BURNWORTH.

LEADDENVER DIVISIONAT DENVER COLORADO

Contact and interview [redacted]  
 [redacted], Denver, Colorado, telephone number [redacted], concerning information about Captain DON BURNWORTH and captioned matter. Report results to Office of Origin, Seattle.

2 - Denver  
 ② - Seattle (Info)  
 2 - Minneapolis

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## PRECEDENCE:

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☐ Priority  
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## CLASSIFICATION:

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Date 6/26/79

[redacted] SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

SAC, DENVER (164-640)(RUC)

SUBJECT: NORJAK (A)  
 OO: SEATTLE

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RE: DONALD OTIS BURNWORTH

Re Denver telcall to Seattle, 6/22/79, to SA

[redacted]  
 [redacted]  
 Denver, Colorado, appeared at the Denver Office 6/21/79, and advised one DONALD O. BURNWORTH, a United Air Lines pilot, Denver, Colorado, had been in contact with him through [redacted], who is acquainted with [redacted].

[redacted] advised [redacted]

[redacted] further advised that BURNWORTH told him he was at one time considered a suspect in captioned matter and that he was a suspect because of [redacted]  
 [redacted]

[redacted] He stated he and his wife did not have a very happy marriage and that after they divorced, [redacted]  
 [redacted]

He stated that at the time of the kidnaping, he reportedly was assigned as a pilot for United Air Lines at San Francisco and flew to Portland.

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 1 - Denver

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Approved: [redacted]

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## memorandum

DATE: 3/16/78

REPLY TO  
ATTN OF: SA [REDACTED]SUBJECT: NORJAK  
OO: SEATTLEb6  
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TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)(P)

RE: SUB H - WITNESSES  
SUB 48 - DONALD OTIS BURNSWORTH

On March 13, 1978, Division 6 Supervisor, [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED], was telephonically contacted and provided the  
following information:

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The pilot of the Norjak aircraft was [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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DONALD OTIS BURNSWORTH is an ex-United Airlines  
pilot and has been processed and eliminated as a suspect  
in this matter. (Sub #48)

The John Doe Grand Jury indictment obtained by  
the Portland Division is still outstanding.

The pilot's identity i.e., [REDACTED] is  
publicly documented in the press.

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[REDACTED] explained he needed this information because  
he had been receiving telephone calls from a newspaper man  
and/or a writer who is doing a story on this case.

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DB COOPER 44831

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)

DATE: 9/21/76

FROM : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)

SUBJECT: NORJAK  
OO: SEATTLE

RE: DONALD OTIS BURNWORTH  
SUB #48 [redacted]

Re Seattle airtel to the Bureau dated 5/24/76.

For the information of the Bureau and other receiving offices, investigation by the Denver Division has revealed that the rumor alluded to in referenced communication possibly concerns DONALD OTIS BURNWORTH, who has been eliminated as a possible suspect in this matter. In view of this, no further investigation will be conducted concerning this aspect of the investigation.

## ARMED AND DANGEROUS

- 2 - Bureau (164-2111)
- 1 - Denver (164-98) (Info)
- 1 - San Francisco (164-220) (Info)
- ③ - Seattle (164-88)

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*Sub 48*  
*164-81-2096*

DB COOPER 44832

SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

7/28/76

SAC, DENVER (164-98) (P)

*Sub 48*

NORJAK  
OO: SEATTLE

Re Seattle airtel to the Bureau, dated 5/24/76  
and Denver airtel to Seattle, dated 1/28/75.

For information of Seattle, all logical investigation, credit and criminal checks were conducted at Denver, Colorado, immediately subsequent to captioned skyjacking on 6/1/76. Records of the Colorado DMV, Denver Credit Bureau, the Denver PD and Colorado Bureau of Investigation were again checked with negative results.

On 6/1/76, [redacted]

[redacted] United Airlines, were both contacted regarding the rumor contained in Bureau airtel to Seattle, dated 5/19/76. Both advised that the only rumor of which they were aware regarding a UAL pilot was that concerning DONALD OTIS BURNWORTH, 70 Garden Center, Apartment 309, Broomfield, Colorado, who is a co-pilot with UAL who has been so employed by UAL for an excess of 10 years. [redacted] advised in an interview conducted on 12/13/74 by FBI Agents at Denver, Colorado, that he had previously been contacted by a FBI Agent at San Francisco, California, whose name he believed was [redacted] and had also been in contact with officials at the U. S. Department of Justice, Washington, D. C., on at least two occasions.

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2 - Denver

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

1/14/76

SAC, CHICAGO (164-297) (RUC)

UNSUB aka,  
Dan Cooper;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES, FLIGHT 350,  
PORTLAND, OREGON TO SEATTLE, WASHINGTON  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING;  
EXTORTION  
OO: SEATTLE

*Sub 794*

Re Detroit airtel to Chicago dated 12/5/75,

On 1/6/76, [redacted]  
[redacted], United Airlines (UAL), Chicago, Illinois,  
was contacted regarding UAL flights from Chicago, Illinois,  
to Tri-City Airport, Freeland, Michigan, on 12/2/75.

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[redacted] was advised of the contents of referenced  
Detroit airtel and advised that the UAL co-pilot was pro-  
bably referring to UAL pilot DONALD O. BURNWORTH, UAL Number  
021048, who is currently based in Denver. [redacted] advised  
that BURNWORTH was previously investigated by the FBI as  
a suspect in captioned case.

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[redacted] advised that there are seven UAL 727-type  
aircraft flights daily to Tri-City Airport and that the  
route is flown by crews generally not based in Chicago.

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Chicago will leave the decision whether or not  
to conduct further investigation into this matter due to  
discretion of Seattle inasmuch as the facts related seem  
to relate to the investigation regarding DONALD O. BURNWORTH.

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2-Detroit (164-115)  
1-Chicago  
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**AIRTEL**

**TO: SAC, CHICAGO (164-297)**  
**FROM: SAC, DETROIT (164-115) (RUC)**

**UNSUB, aka**  
**Don Cooper;**  
**Northwest Airlines Flight 350**  
**Portland, Oregon, to Seattle, Washington**  
**11/24/71**  
**CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION**  
**OO: SEATTLE**

On 12/5/75, [redacted], Saginaw County Sheriff's Office, Tri-City Airport, Freeland, Michigan, advised that on 12/2/75, [redacted] for United Airlines (UAL) on a flight from Chicago, Illinois, to Tri-City Airport, made a comment to him regarding a former pilot for UAL reportedly missing since just prior to captioned hijacking. [redacted] advised that [redacted] indicated to him UAL discharged a former pilot to Seattle, Washington, who was experiencing severe financial and family problems. The individual has reportedly been missing since just prior to captioned hijacking and has not been heard from since.

[redacted] stated the individual was reportedly a pilot for a 727 type aircraft. [redacted] indicated he has been unable to obtain the name of [redacted] who furnished him this information; however, UAL Headquarters, Chicago, could possibly identify the individual and also the pilot reportedly discharged by UAL just prior to captioned hijacking.

**LEAD**

**CHICAGO**

**AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS:**

Will, at UAL Headquarters, attempt to identify [redacted] who furnished the above information and also [redacted] approximate date of hijacking.

- 2 - Chicago
- ② - Seattle (164-81)
- 1 - Detroit

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DB COOPER-44835

SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

1/28/75

SAC, DENVER (164-98) (RUC)

*Sub 48*

NORJAK  
OO: SEATTLE

For the information of the Seattle Division, on 1/8/75,

[redacted]  
Broomfield, Colorado [redacted] telephone [redacted], was interviewed by Bureau Agents, at Denver, Colorado. It is noted that prior to being interviewed [redacted] was advised the Agent he had previously been interviewed by was SA [redacted] stated at the time he was interviewed by [redacted], he did not feel the information he was about to give the Agents, at the present time, was pertinent to the matter. He further stated after considerable thought, he decided that this may be valuable information and provided the following:

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[redacted] stated he is [redacted]  
[redacted] for in excess [redacted] in [redacted]  
[redacted]  
[redacted]  
[redacted]

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After the [redacted]

[redacted]  
[redacted] In late [redacted]  
[redacted] in the San Francisco area. [redacted]  
[redacted] to go to Kansas City, Missouri, [redacted]  
[redacted]

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[redacted] and took [redacted]  
[redacted]  
[redacted] who were living in the Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, area.  
[redacted]  
[redacted]

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[redacted] and [redacted]  
[redacted] that was available [redacted]

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2 - Seattle (RM)  
2 - Denver

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[redacted] only the  
Oklahoma address.

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In 1972, [redacted]  
[redacted]  
[redacted] arrived in San Francisco, [redacted]  
[redacted] (another false charge).  
[redacted] allegedly had furnished [redacted] The  
police did not arrive until after [redacted] so did not  
apprehend [redacted].

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The [redacted]  
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When instant hijacking was announced by the news media  
and it was stated that a person identified as D. B. COOPER had  
committed the hijacking, [redacted]

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[redacted] and advised  
that D. B. COOPER is [redacted].

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[redacted]  
to locate [redacted]

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[redacted] feels that the [redacted]  
[redacted]  
contrived the hijacking [redacted]. They used  
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[redacted] They then located  
someone who roughly resembled [redacted], and [redacted] obtained informa-  
tion from [redacted] as to how someone could exit a plane in  
flight and someone was hired to hijack the plane in order to get  
[redacted] located, not for the money.

[redacted] advised he was contacted by authorities while  
[redacted], concerning the hijacking, and was in contact

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with the Justice Department, Washington, D.C., on a couple of occasions, [redacted] in San Francisco he was interviewed by a Federal Bureau of Investigation Agent, whose name he believes to be [redacted].

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[redacted] The following descriptive information was obtained from [redacted]:

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Name	[redacted]
Sex	Male
Race	White
Date of Birth	[redacted]
Place of Birth	[redacted]
Height	6'0"
Weight	185 lbs.
Hair	Black
Eyes	Hazel
Social Security	[redacted]
Military Service	Four years, United States Air Force
Service Number	[redacted]

[redacted] requested that the fact that he furnished the above information be kept confidential [redacted]

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[redacted], but stated he would be glad to appear in a lineup for the crew of the captioned flight or assist in any way he can.

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944 PM NITEL 1/8/73 FEE

TO DENVER (164-98)

SAN FRANCISCO (164-220)

MINNEAPOLIS (164-73)

FROM SEATTLE (164-81)(P) IP

*Sub 48*

MORJAK. 00: SEATTLE.

RE DENVER AIRTEL TO SAN FRANCISCO, SEATTLE AND MINNEAPOLIS  
DATED 1/4/73.

REFERENCED AIRTEL SUGGESTED DON BURNWORTH, FORMER UNITED  
AIRLINES PILOT, AS A POSSIBLE SUSPECT IN THIS MATTER.

A REVIEW OF SEATTLE INDICIES REVEALS DONALD OTIS BURNWORTH,  
BORN 3/4/31 AT OKLAHOMA; W/M/A; 6 FEET; 180 POUNDS; BLACK HAIR;  
HAZEL EYES; SSAN [REDACTED], HAS BEEN ELIMINATED AS A SUSPECT.

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IN VIEW OF THE ABOVE, ALL RECEIVING OFFICES ARE TO DISCONTINUE  
INVESTIGATION CONCERNING SUSPECT, BURNWORTH.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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DB COOPER 44839

*Sub 48*

*164-81-4287*

1/4/73

AIRTEL

AIRMAIL, REGISTERED

*Sub 48*

TO: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO  
FROM: SAC, DENVER (164-98) (P)  
SUBJECT: NORJAK  
(OO: SEATTLE)

Information copies are furnished Seattle and Minneapolis inasmuch as coverage of lead in San Francisco may result in investigation in your division.

A Denver resident has advised that a man named DON BURNWORTH, who formerly lived in her neighborhood, resembles the composite of unknown subject in this case.

BURNWORTH was believed to be a commercial pilot possibly flying for United Air Lines. He reportedly left the Denver area shortly before instant hijacking.

Denver Police Department records reveal no record identifiable with BURNWORTH. Denver Credit Bureau reflects DONALD O. BURNWORTH, a pilot for United Air Lines formerly resided at 3070 Olive, Northglenn, Colorado.

Inquiry at United Air Lines revealed BURNWORTH is a United Air Lines pilot and while based in Denver at one time, left Denver over a year ago and is now based in San Francisco. United Air Lines at Denver was unable to locate any other descriptive data, but advised their San Francisco Office will have BURNWORTH's personnel file and further information regarding his whereabouts at the time of instant hijacking.

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- 2 - San Francisco (RM)
  - ① - Seattle (164-81) (Info.)
  - 1 - Minneapolis (164-73) (Info.)
  - 2 - Denver
- DLR:jmw  
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*ELIMINATED 164-81-4297  
SUSPECT  
DN, SF  
DIE 1/8/73*

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LEADS:

THE SAN FRANCISCO DIVISION

AT SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA: Contact [REDACTED] b6  
[REDACTED] United Air Lines, to obtain b7C  
further information regarding BURNWORTH.

(2) If possible obtain photographs and forward to Seattle, Minneapolis and Denver for display to flight crew members.

THE DENVER DIVISION

AT DENVER, COLORADO: Will continue logical investigation in this matter.

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AIRTEL

AIR MAIL

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TO: SAC, LAS VEGAS (164-60)

FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

SUBJECT: NORJAK  
OO: SEATTLE

RE: DON BURNWORTH  
SUB #48

Enclosed for Las Vegas and Los Angeles Divisions  
is one copy of San Francisco airtel to Seattle dated 8/25/72.

In view of the information contained in the  
enclosed airtel BURNWORTH is eliminated as a suspect.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS

2 - Las Vegas (Encl. 1)  
1 - Los Angeles (INFO) (164-497)(Enc. 1)  
2 - Seattle  
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*Sub 48*  
DB COOPER-44842

*164-81-3850*

8/25/72

AIRTEL

AIR MAIL

*Sub 48*

TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)  
FROM: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (164-220) (P)  
SUBJECT: NORJAK  
RE DONALD OTIS BURNWORTH

Suspect interviewed United Airline's Office, San Francisco International Airport, 8/24/72, by Bureau Agent. He recalls having his Thanksgiving dinner, 11/24/72, with friends, [redacted]

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[redacted] also in attendance [redacted]  
[redacted] same residence.

BURNWORTH produced passport reflecting entrance to Germany, 9/30/71, and returned to United States, 8/19/72. Passport Number B1855633, issued 8/10/71, San Francisco.

[redacted] accompanying BURNWORTH, furnished similar information re attendance at Thanksgiving dinner.

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In view of above information, BURNWORTH no longer being considered suspect in this case.

For information of Seattle, BURNWORTH was arrested by Sheriff's Office for child stealing and nonsupport following the interview.

Seattle advise interested offices.

*SEE SERIALS 3850, 3819*

② - Seattle  
2 - San Francisco  
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8/24/72

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AIR MAIL

TO: SAC, LAS VEGAS (164-60)  
FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)  
SUBJECT NORJAK  
00: Seattle

*BURNWORTH*  
*Sub 48*

Re DON BURNWORTH

Re Las Vegas airtel to Seattle, 8/16/72.

The following is a summary of investigation regarding BURNWORTH, conducted to date:

On 11/30/71, BURNWORTH's picture displayed to stewardesses [redacted] advised he was too young and too good looking to be unsub; [redacted] stated he was not identical to unsub.

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On 12/1/71, witnesses [redacted] eliminated BURNWORTH as a subject after viewing photograph.

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On 3/22/72, the Bureau advised Oklahoma City that [redacted] telephoned and furnished current address as [redacted] stated he had been in [redacted] since August, 1971, and would willingly submit to interview. [redacted] advised [redacted] Kansas City, Missouri, had been causing him considerable difficulty,

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and he does not want her to learn of his whereabouts.

In view of the above, BURNWORTH was eliminated as a suspect in this matter.

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8/16/72

AIRTEL

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TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)  
FROM: SAC, LAS VEGAS (164-60) (P)  
SUBJECT: NORJAK  
HIJACKING  
OO: Seattle

Remyairtel, 3/28/72.

RE: DON BURNWORTH

On 8/16/72, [redacted], United Airlines (UAL), Reno, Nevada, advised that he and several UAL pilots still considered BURNWORTH as prime suspect in captioned matter. [redacted] stated BURNWORTH's possible participation in this matter was widely discussed among UAL personnel and BURNWORTH's present whereabouts were still unknown.

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Seattle is requested to advise the Las Vegas Division of results of investigation regarding BURNWORTH.

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2 - Las Vegas  
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Date: 4/28/72

Transmit the following in \_\_\_\_\_  
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(Priority)

TO: SAC SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)  
FROM: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (164-220)  
SUBJECT: NORJAK  
OO: Seattle

Re: Possible suspect D. O. BURNWORTH

Re Los Angeles airtel to Seattle, dated 4/17/72  
and Las Vegas airtel to San Francisco, 3/28/72.

AT SAN FRANCISCO INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT

On 4/27/72, [redacted], United  
Air Lines furnished the following information:

[redacted] advised that he was familiar with D. O. BURNWORTH.  
[redacted] advised that BURNWORTH has been on a leave of absence  
from United Air Lines since July, 1971. [redacted] advised that  
BURNWORTH employment with United Air Lines he served as a second  
officer. [redacted] stated that BURNWORTH took the leave of absence  
because of the fact that BURNWORTH [redacted].  
[redacted] stated that it was his understanding that BURNWORTH  
took this leave of absence so that he would not have any es-  
tablished income so that he would not have [redacted].  
[redacted]

[redacted] advised that he first became familiar with  
D. O. BURNWORTH following the plane crash of the Wichita State  
football team. [redacted] advised that it was BURNWORTH who

- ② - Seattle
- 2 - Chicago (Info)
- 2 - Los Angeles (164-497) (Info)
- 2 - Las Vegas (Info)
- 2 - San Francisco

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ferried the plane that crashed in the incident from Las Vegas, Nevada, to somewhere in Oklahoma, [ ] stated that after BURNWORTH ferried the plane to Oklahoma, in approximately a week or 10 days, the plane was used on the flight of the Wichita State football team. [ ] advised that BURNWORTH following the incident was extensively questioned and interviewed by the Federal Aviation Administration.

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[ ] stated that BURNWORTH original leave of absence was in July of 1971, through January, 1972. [ ] stated that in January, 1972, United Air Lines received a letter from BURNWORTH requesting another six month leave of absence running through June, 1972. [ ] stated that it was an understanding that if BURNWORTH did not come back to work in July, 1972, that his employment with United Air Lines would be terminated. [ ] stated that in BURNWORTH's letter in January, 1972, he gave his parents return address as the place where all of his mail was to be sent. The address is; 1611 Sheffield Road, Oklahoma, City, Oklahoma, 73120. [ ] advised that BURNWORTH's superior was [ ] [ ], United Air Lines, San Francisco International Airport. [ ] advised that possibly [ ] might have some current information on BURNWORTH.

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On 4/27/72, [ ] [ ], United Air Lines, San Francisco International Airport, furnished the following information

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[ ] advised that he has not been contacted by BURNWORTH as far as he knows the last contact by BURNWORTH was the letter received by United Air Lines in January, 1972. [ ] stated that this letter requested an extension of BURNWORTH's leave of absence for the next six months running through June, 1972. [ ] advised that additional background information on BURNWORTH could be obtained through the United Air Lines headquarters in Chicago, Illinois. [ ] stated that all personnel records are maintained at the United Air Lines Headquarters in Chicago. [ ] could furnish no further information.

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On 4/27/72, [ ] [ ], FAA, San Francisco International Airport, furnished the following information:

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[ ] advised that all flight crew personnel must take an annual physical so that they may be certified to fly in commercial aircraft. [ ] advised that the license they possess never expires but that the annual physical is needed to keep the license current. [ ] stated that all records maintain by FAA concerning this physical are maintained in their records center in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. [ ] stated that the records there will go all the way back to when an individual was first initially employed by an airlines in the capacity of flying commercial planes.

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[ ] stated that the physicals are usually performed by ones own physican but that within two to four weeks the information would be received by the records center in Oklahoma City. [ ] advised that records would be very complete and one would be able to obtain considerable back-ground information on an individual. [ ] could furnish no further information.

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No leads are being set out by the San Francisco Division. It is requested that Seattle Division review their file in this matter and all leads are being left to their discretion.

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Date: 4/17/72

Transmit the following in \_\_\_\_\_  
(Type in plaintext or code)Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL  
(Priority)

TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)  
 FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (164-497) (P)  
 RE: NORJAK  
 OO: Seattle

Re: Possible Suspect D. O. BURNWORTH

Chief Radio Technician [redacted] of the Los Angeles Division has received information from pilot currently employed by United Airlines (UAL), requesting to remain anonymous, that (D. O. BURNWORTH is) a former veteran flight captain for UAL. The source states BURNWORTH bears a resemblance to the artist's sketch of the Seattle hijacker, left his position with UAL under unusual circumstances two days prior to the hijacking, and was believed to have been flying for UAL out of San Francisco.

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AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS: (1) Through UAL Headquarters, identify D. O. BURNWORTH, ascertain if he left UAL employment under unusual circumstances and if so, obtain background data, photograph and furnish office of origin.

(2) Set forth logical leads to establish whereabouts during pertinent period.

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 2 - Chicago (AM)  
 2 - San Francisco (AM)  
 2 - Los Angeles  
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AIRTEL

TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)  
FROM: SAC, CHICAGO (164-297) (RUC)  
SUBJECT: NORJAK  
POSSIBLE SUSPECT  
D.O. BURNWORTH  
  
(OO: SEATTLE)

Re Los Angeles airtel to Seattle 4/17/72 and  
Chicago airtel to Seattle 3/30/72.

Leads set forth in referenced Los Angeles airtel  
4/17/72 covered by Chicago Division per referenced Chicago  
airtel of 3/30/72, with leads set forth for San Francisco.  
No further investigation remaining Chicago.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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2 - San Francisco  
1 - Los Angeles (Info)  
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3/28/72

AIRTEL

TO: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO

FROM: SAC, LAS VEGAS (164-60) (P)

NORJAK  
(OO:SEATTLE)

[redacted], United Airlines (UAL), resident of Reno, Nevada, advised 3/28/72, that he considered DON BURNWORTH as suspect in captioned matter. He stated BURNWORTH was a former UAL pilot and Federal Aviation Administration employee. He further stated BURNWORTH to have parachute training and would be qualified to execute hijack plan. He described BURNWORTH as WMA, 35 to 40 years of age, 6' in height, well built. He further stated BURNWORTH was a "ladies' man" who was known to have financial problems and has not been seen since the approximate time of captioned hijacking. [redacted] stated he believed BURNWORTH's personnel file would be available at UAL, San Francisco.

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San Francisco review personnel records re BURNWORTH at UAL, obtain pertinent background information and photo and forward same to Seattle Division. Seattle should thereafter conduct logical investigation to determine if BURNWORTH involved in this matter. Advise Las Vegas of results of investigation.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

- 2 - San Francisco
  - ② - Seattle (164-81)
  - 2 - Las Vegas
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**AIRTEL**

**TO : SAC, SEATTLE**  
**FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (164-297)**  
**SUBJECT: HOBJAC**  
**CAA - HIJACKING**  
**OO: Seattle**

**SUSPECT DONALD O. BURNWORTH**

On 3/30/72 [redacted]  
United Air Lines (UAL), O'Hare International Airport, Chicago, Illinois, advised SA [redacted] that a UAL pilot with the initials "D.B." took a leave of absence for "personal problems" on 8/24/71 and has never been heard from since. [redacted] advised this pilot, a DONALD O. BURNWORTH, was based with UAL at San Francisco and that all records pertaining to BURNWORTH, including a photograph, could be obtained from [redacted], UAL, San Francisco International Airport.

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**LEAD**

**SAN FRANCISCO**

**AT SAN FRANCISCO INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT.** Will contact [redacted] UAL, re BURNWORTH and forward pertinent information and photograph to office of origin.

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2 - Chicago  
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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

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ASAC PAUL R. BIBLER

NORJAK

RE: DONALD OTIS BURNWORTH

Supervisor [ ] called from the Bureau.  
He referred to Oklahoma City teletype 3/22/72 re  
suspect DONALD OTIS BURNWORTH.

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[ ] called the Bureau from [ ],  
told them he knew nothing about the case but was  
willing to be interviewed and the Bureau is sending a  
[ ] to interview and eliminate  
this suspect.

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In the mean time he stated it might be interesting  
for Seattle to check with UAL to see whether BURNWORTH  
flew in and out of Seattle.

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Date: 3/23/72

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(Priority)

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111) & SAC, OKLAHOMA CITY (164-56)  
FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (-P-)  
NORJAK.

RE: DONALD OTIS BURNWORTH

FOR THE INFORMATION OF THE BUREAU AND OKLAHOMA CITY  
BURNWORTH HAS PREVIOUSLY BEEN MENTIONED AS A SUSPECT IN  
THIS MATTER [REDACTED], WHO FURNISHED A PHOTOGRAPH OF  
BURNWORTH TO KANSAS CITY. THIS PHOTO WAS SHOWN TO WITNESSES  
AT SEATTLE AND MINNEAPOLIS, WHO ADVISED THAT BURNWORTH WAS  
NOT IDENTICAL WITH UNSUBS.

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Special Agent in Charge

DB COOPER-44856

NR010 OC PLAIN

1155 PM 3-22-72 NITEL CWW

TO: DIRECTOR (164-2111)

SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: OKLAHOMA CITY (164-56) (RUC) 2P

NORJAK, OO: SEATTLE

RE SUSPECT DONALD OTIS BURNWORTH.

RE SF AIRTEL TO SEATTLE MARCH THIRTEEN LAST AND BUREAU PHONE  
CALL TO OC INSTANT.

RE AIRTEL SET FORTH INFO RECEIVED FROM [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] UNITED AIR LINES (UAL) SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF.,

RE DONALD OTIS BURNWORTH, UAL PILOT ON YEAR LEAVE OF ABSENCE ENDING

AUGUST NEXT. [REDACTED] STATED BURNWORTH IS LOGICAL SUSPECT THIS CASE

DUE TO PHOTOGRAPH BEING EXTREMELY GOOD "LOOK ALIKE" TO ARTISTS

CONCEPTION OF UNSUB. BURNWORTH REPORTEDLY WAS U. S. AIR FORCE MILITARY

AND CIVILIAN PILOT, AS WELL AS PILOT FOR FEDERAL AVIATION

ADMINISTRATION PRIOR TO BECOMING UAL PILOT IN NINETEEN SIXTYFOUR.

[REDACTED] ADVISED BURNWORTH HAS BEEN SOMEWHAT OF EMPLOYMENT PROBLEM AND

HAS HAD NUMEROUS FINANCIAL AND MARITAL PROBLEMS. [REDACTED] ADVISED CURRENT

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WHEREABOUTS OF BURNWORTH UNKNOWN, HOWEVER HIS MOTHER RESIDES  
OKLAHOMA CITY.

THIS DATE MRS. FRED BURNWORTH, ONE SIX ONE ONE SHEFFELD RD.,

OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA, ADVISED HER SON DONALD OTIS BURNWORTH IS

PRESENTLY OUT OF THE COUNTRY. SHE ADVISED HER SON IS AVOIDING [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] WHO HAS CAUSED HIM CONSIDERABLE DIFFICULTY. BURNWORTH

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[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] FOR THIS REASON, MRS. BURNWORTH  
WOULD NOT REVEAL LOCATION OF SON BUT PROMISED TO CONTACT HIM AND  
REQUEST THAT HE CONTACT FBI.

BUREAU ADVISED [REDACTED] TELEPHONED SOG THIS  
DATE AND FURNISHED CURRENT ADDRESS [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] STATED HAD BEEN IN [REDACTED] SINCE AUGUST

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LAST AND WOULD WILLINGLY SUBMIT TO INTERVIEW. BURNWORTH STATED [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI, HAD CAUSED  
HIM CONSIDERABLE DIFFICULTY AND HE DOES NOT WANT HER TO LEARN OF  
HIS WHEREABOUTS.

BUREAU MAY DESIRE TO HAVE LEGAT INTERVIEW BURNWORTH AS  
SUSPECT INSTANT MATTER.

END.

DCA FBI SEATTLE CLR

3/13/72

AIRTEL

AIR MAIL

TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)  
FROM: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (164-220)  
SUBJECT: NORJAK  
OO: Seattle

Re Suspect DONALD OTIS BURNWORTH.

Enclosed for Seattle and Oklahoma City are two photographs each of DONALD OTIS BURNWORTH.

[redacted], United Airlines (UAL), San Francisco International Airport (SFIA), advised on 3/9/72, that BURNWORTH is a logical suspect in this case, because in his opinion the photograph is an extremely good "look alike" to the artist's conception of Unsub in this case. He was a pilot in the United States Air Force and was employed as a civilian pilot by the Air Force, as well as by the Federal Aviation Administration. He has been employed since 10/64 by UAL as a pilot and is currently on leave of absence and not scheduled to return to work until 8/24/72. [redacted] stated that he has been somewhat of an employment problem and has had numerous financial [redacted] problems. According to [redacted] BURNWORTH has had financial difficulties and has not been employed since approximately August of 1971. According to [redacted] BURNWORTH's present whereabouts are unknown, and the only way to contact him is through his mother's address, 1811 Sheffield Road, Oklahoma City.

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2 - Oklahoma City (Encs. 2)  
2 - San Francisco  
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[ ] furnished the following description of  
BURNWORTH:

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Name	DONALD OTIS BURNWORTH
DOB	3/4/31
POB	Oklahoma
Race	White
Sex	Male
Nationality	American
Height	6'
Weight	180 lbs.
Hair	Black
Eyes	Hazel
Scar	4" scar on left forearm
SSAN	448-24-5152

LEADS

OKLAHOMA CITY

AT OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA. Attempt to locate and interview and ascertain BURNWORTH's whereabouts on Thanksgiving Eve, 11/24/71.

SEATTLE

AT SEATTLE, WASHINGTON. Exhibit photograph to appropriate witnesses.

SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)

12/13/71

SA THOMAS J. MANNING

NORJAC  
OO: SEATTLE

(SUB 48 DONALD OTIS BURNWORTH)

On 12/13/71 [redacted] who identified himself as a [redacted] California telephonically contacted the writer and advised he had just furnished a large amount of material concerning DONALD OTIS BURNWORTH to SA BOB JEFFRIES of the San Mateo, California Resident Agency. He described this material as something he received from [redacted] and classified BURNWORTH as a good suspect after viewing the composite photograph of the subject and one of BURNWORTH.

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He furnished information concerning BURNWORTH's being a former test pilot, an expert parachutist and a United Airlines pilot stationed in San Francisco, California who is on a leave of absence and hasn't been seen or heard from in several months. He continued that according to the [redacted] (not identified by name) BURNWORTH in a talk session about 3 years ago discussed his plan for a hijacking which was followed by the hijacker in captioned matter.

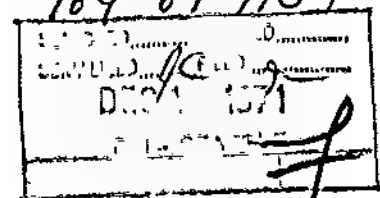
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[redacted] was thanked for his interest and cooperation in this matter and was advised that any comments concerning BURNWORTH as a subject or suspect in this matter would have to be secured through contact with SAC, Seattle and this phone number was furnished to him.

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Above information telephonically furnished to SA CHARLES FARRELL on 12/13/71. Memo for file information.

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12/8/71

**AIRTEL**

**AIRMAIL**

**TO: SAC, KANSAS CITY**  
**FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)**  
**SUBJECT: UNSUB; aka**  
**Dan Cooper;**  
**Northwest Airlines**  
**Flight #305**  
**Portland to Seattle**  
**11/24/71**  
**CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION**  
**OO: SEATTLE**

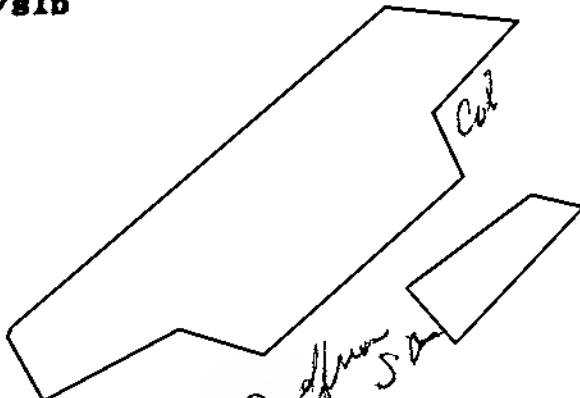
**Re: Suspect DONALD OTIS BURNWORTH (Sub. 48)**

**Re: Kansas City airtel to Seattle, 11/30/71.**

**Enclosed for Kansas City are two (2) copies of color photographs and one (1) Ident photograph of DONALD OTIS BURNWORTH.**

**Photographs of BURNWORTH have been shown to witnesses at Seattle, who advise BURNWORTH is not identical with UNSUB in this matter.**

**2 - Kansas City (Enc. 3)**  
**2 - Seattle**  
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*SA [unclear] [unclear]*

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5:41 PM NITEL 12/7/71 CMH

TO DIRECTOR (164-2111)

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Ben Leiben - 50 <sup>b6</sup>  
- 66 <sup>b7C</sup>

Donald O. H. Burnworth <sup>48</sup>

Ronald Lee White - 70

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO  
SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR SEVENTYONE. CAA DASH HIJACKING;  
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RE NEW YORK TELETYPE TO DIRECTOR DECEMBER THREE LAST,  
NORFOLK TELETYPE TO DIRECTOR DECEMBER THREE LAST, SEATTLE  
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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)

DATE: 12/1/71

FROM : SA LOUIS M. HARRIS, JR.

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES  
FLIGHT #305,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: SEATTLE  
BUfile 164-2111

On 12/1/71

[redacted], was shown  
a group of photographs which contained a photo of  
DONALD OTIS BURNWORTH. [redacted] advised  
that this individual is not identical with his  
recollection of the hijacker in this case.

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

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SA [REDACTED]

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UNSUB, aka Dan Cooper;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT #305,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: SE

RE: ROBERT HAMMOND KEELY;  
DONALD OTIS BURNWORTH;  
[REDACTED]

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On 12/1/71, a group of photos were exhibited to  
CORD H.Z. SPRECKEL at his place of employment. Included  
in the group of photos were photos of the above three  
individuals. Concerning the photos, SPRECKEL stated that  
the hijacker was not as good looking as KEELY. He stated  
that [REDACTED] is not the hijacker, and concerning  
BURNWORTH, he stated that if the individual were 10 years  
older, there would be a resemblance between BURNWORTH  
and the hijacker.

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/2/71

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT: UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT 305  
11/24/71  
CAA-HIJACKING; EXTORTION

Re Suspects: NORMAN KARL ALLEN  
DONALD OTIS BURNWORTH

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On 12/1/71 SA [REDACTED] contacted [REDACTED]

at [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] in which [REDACTED] has an interest.

[REDACTED] was exhibited two pictures of ALLEN and one each of BURNWORTH and [REDACTED] with seven throw down photographs.

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[REDACTED] viewed these pictures from 9:11 pm to 10:12 pm and eliminated them all.

After the initial viewing, [REDACTED] went back and studied the pictures of ALLEN 12 times (the old King County Sheriff's Office photograph No. 61308) and the Washington State Driver's License picture (expires 9/25/72) three times; the picture of BURNWORTH five times and that of [REDACTED] times.

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He commented that ALLEN's face from the upper lip upwards bore some resemblance to the unsub; BURNWORTH's jaw line, cheeks and nose bore some resemblance, and [REDACTED] hairline bore a close resemblance. He commented the picture of [REDACTED] was "too severe." He eliminated all three suspects.

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AIRTEL

TO: SACs, SEATTLE, MINNEAPOLIS AND OKLAHOMA CITY

FROM: SAC, KANSAS CITY (104 NE)

UNKNOWN SUBJECT;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT 305,  
NOVEMBER 24, 1971  
CAA - KIDNAPPING, EXTORTION  
OO: SL

Enclosed to Seattle two color snapshots and one ident photo of DONALD OTIS BURNWORTH.

Enclosed to Minneapolis three color snapshots and one ident photograph of DONALD OTIS BURNWORTH.

Re telephone call to Seattle by ASAC GASKILL, Kansas City, 6:30 p.m., 11/29/71, regarding suspect BURNWORTH and facsimile sent via telecopier to Seattle and Minneapolis 10:30 p.m. and ident photograph of BURNWORTH sent by routing slip air mail to Minneapolis and Seattle evening of 11/29/71.

RE SUSPECT DONALD OTIS BURNWORTH:

On 11/29/71

[redacted] furnished the following information to SAs

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- 2 - Seattle (Enc. 3)
  - 2 - Minneapolis (Enc. 4)
  - 1 - Oklahoma City (Info)
  - 2 - Kansas City
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witnesses*

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*lmj lmj*  
*JD*

DB COOPER-44869

UNKNOWN SUBJECT;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT 305,  
NOVEMBER 24, 1971

**LEADS:**

OKLAHOMA CITY DIVISION - Information

Copy designated for Oklahoma City for background information in the event photograph of BURNWORTH is identified by witnesses as possibly unknown subject.

MINNEAPOLIS DIVISION

At Minneapolis, Minnesota

Exhibit enclosed photographs of BURNWORTH to crew of captioned airliner to determine if he could be identical with unknown subject.

If not considered logical suspect, return photographs immediately to Kansas City for return to [REDACTED].

SEATTLE DIVISION

At Seattle, Washington

Exhibit enclosed photographs of BURNWORTH to witnesses who saw unknown subject to determine if he could be identical with unknown subject.

If not considered logical suspect, return photographs immediately to Kansas City for return to [REDACTED].

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1010PM NITEL 12-1-71 RDC

TO SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM KANSAS CITY (164-80)

*Sub 48*  
*Donald Otis*  
*Burnsworth*

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,

NOVEMBER TWENTY-FOUR, SEVENTYONE, CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION, OO SE.

RE SEATTLE TELETYPE TO KANSAS CITY, INSTANT DATE.

KANSAS CITY FURNISHED REQUESTED INFORMATION ALONG WITH PHOTOGRAPH

OF DONALD OTIS BURNSWORTH TO SEATTLE AND MINNEAPOLIS BY AIRTEL, NOV.  
THIRTY LAST.

CURRENT WHEREABOUTS OF BURNWORTH UNKNOWN SINCE AUGUST ONE, LAST.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM MINNEAPOLIS (164-73)

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*Donald Otis Burnsworth*  
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*Sub H artist sketch*  
**cc. ARTIST'S SKETCH**

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND  
TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR, SEVENTYONE. CAA - HIJACKING;  
EXTORTION. 00: SEATTLE.

INSTANT DATE PHOTOGRAPHS AND FACIMILES OF NINE MALES INCLUDING  
A PHOTOGRAPH OF GARY EVAN JOSEPH SAMDEL AND FACIMILES OF DONALD  
OTIS BURNSWORTH WERE DISPLAYED TO [REDACTED]  
STEWARDESS ON CAPTIONED FLIGHT. [REDACTED] ADVISED NONE OF THE  
DISPLAYED PICTURES RESEMBLED THE HIJACKER. SHE ADVISED  
SAMDELS FACE TOO FULL AND HE WAS TOO YOUNG AND GOOD LOOKING.  
SHE ADVISED BURNSWORTH WAS TOO YOUNG LOOKING AND ALSO TOO GOOD  
LOOKING.

[REDACTED] ALSO A STEWARDESS ON CAPTIONED FLIGHT VIEWED A  
DISPLAY OF PHOTOS AND FACIMILES INCLUDING A FACIMILE OF DONALD  
OTIS BURNSWORTH. [REDACTED] ADVISED NONE OF THE PHOTOGRAPHS RESEMBLED  
THE HIJACKER. SHE ADVISED THAT BURNSWORTH WAS YOUNGER LOOKING  
AND WAS A MORE HANDSOME MAN THAN THE HIJACKER. BOTH [REDACTED]  
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TO KANSAS CITY

FROM SEATTLE (164-81)

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR, SEVENTYONE. CAA-HIJACKING; EXTORTION.

RE KANSAS CITY TELECALL NOVEMBER TWENTYNINE LAST.

RE: DONALD OTIS BURNWORTH

KANSAS CITY IS REQUESTED TO CONTACT [REDACTED], WHO  
FURNISHED INFORMATION TO KANSAS CITY IN AN EFFORT TO DETERMINE  
INFORMATION CONCERNING CURRENT WHEREABOUTS OF BURNWORTH AND WHEREABOUTS AT TIME OF CAPTIONED HIJACKING. ARMED AND DANGEROUS.  
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DB COOPER-44875

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 11/29/71

FROM : SA CHARLES J. HENRY

SUBJECT: UNSUB; Northwest Airlines  
Flight #305 11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXT.

*Sub -*

*Donald O. Tiz  
Burnworth*

RE: Suspect DONALD OTIS BURNWORTH

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At 8:20pm SAM [redacted], Kansas City telephonically advised that [redacted] had called that office after seeing artists conception in the newspaper. [redacted] think think BURNWORTH is the UNSUB. BURNWORTH is an ex UAL pilot and a sky-diver. In addition to background info he furnished the following description:

Name: DONALD OTIS BURNWORTH, aka DON  
Race: White  
Sex: Male  
Age: 40  
DoB: 3/4/31 Okla.  
Height: 5'10½ - 11"  
Weight: 165-170  
Hair: Drk brown-parted on left  
Eyes: Hazel-green  
Comp: Olive green  
→ Char: Does not smoke

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KC forwarded a facimile foto which is attached. They will forward all info by teletype. Facimile foto furnished also to MP. Foto to be sent AMSD.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)

DATE: 6/28/72

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT: NORJAK

On June 20, 1972, CORD HARMS SPECKEL observed a photograph of each individual listed below. This witness could not identify any of these suspects as being identical with the hijacker based solely on the provided photographs.

[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
	REX ALLEN ALEXANDER
	[REDACTED]
	BEN R. KANE FRED ANGELO CATALANO BILLIE LEE MC GILL
	[REDACTED]
	STEWART KIME

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM : SA CHARLES R. ST. JOHN

SUBJECT: NORJAK

DATE: 6/5/72



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On June 1, 1972, witness [redacted] was exhibited photographs of the following individuals:

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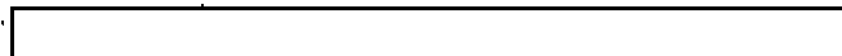
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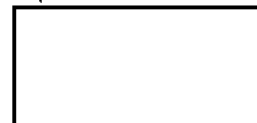
BILLIE LEE MC GILL

STEWART O. KIME



REX ALLEN ALEXANDER

BEN R. KANE



With the exception of CATALANO, [redacted] stated none of the other individuals bear any resemblance to the hijacker and in his opinion are not identical with him.

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[redacted] believed the photograph of CATALANO bore a very strong resemblance to the hijacker. He particularly noted the hairline, stating that if the hair in the photograph observed was marcelled as was the hijacker's, it would be an exceptionally good likeness. He further noted strong similarities in the high cheekbones, the long nose, and eyes as he remembered the hijacker.

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SEAMS OF  
HAIR

He was unable to determine from the photograph the complexion of CATALANO but again emphasized the hijacker had a swarthy or Latin type complexion and it appeared to him CATALANO might have such a complexion. He would prefer to see a color photograph and additional photographs of CATALANO.

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AIR TEL

TO: SAC, WASHINGTON FIELD (164-169)  
FROM: SAC, PITTSBURGH (164-93) P  
RE: NORJAK

Re Washington Field airtel 1/10/72.

For information of Washington Field, [redacted]  
of [redacted], W. Va., has previously been considered a suspect  
in this case and pertinent material, as known to the  
Pittsburgh Office, has been forwarded to appropriate offices.  
[redacted] name is carried in those communications as [redacted]  
[redacted]

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UNSUB CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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✓ 2-Seattle (164-81)  
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**AIRTEL**

**TO: SAC, PITTSBURGH**  
**FROM: SAC, WFO (164-169) (P)**  
**NORJAK**  
**(00:SE)**

**RE SUSPECT [ ]:**

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On 1/10/72, [ ]  
[ ] Washington, D. C. (WDC), advised that relatives of his  
in [ ] West Virginia, have indicated to him that one  
[ ] possibly perpetrated captioned matter. [ ]  
is a white male, 35 to 40 years old, who resides in or near  
[ ] West Virginia. He is reportedly a former Army  
paratrooper and has not been seen since captioned hijacking.  
[ ] was unable to provide any additional information.

**LEAD**

**PITTSBURGH**

AT [ ] **WEST VIRGINIA.** Will conduct investigation  
to identify [ ] and will determine if he could be  
considered a logical suspect in captioned matter. Advise  
Seattle and WFO of results of investigation.

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**UNSUB CONSIDERED DANGEROUS.**

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/7/71

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT: UNSUB: Northwest Airlines Flight 305;  
Portland to Seattle, November 24, 1971  
CAA - HIJACKING  
OO : SE

At 4:35 a.m. this date, an individual identifying himself as representing the Los Angeles Herald Examiner telephonically contacted the Seattle Office, requesting to know if the Seattle Office of the FBI has an APB out on an individual identified [REDACTED] D.B. COOPER, the individual who hijacked the above mentioned airliner on November 24, 1971. He stated that he had heard our office in West Virginia had allegedly arrested this individual for this hijacking.

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He was informed that no such APB had been put out by the Seattle Office and that if he desired further information concerning the hijacking he would have to get in contact with the SAC today.

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11:13 PM URGENT 11-29-71 PVC

TO DIRECTOR (164-2111)

ATTN: IDENTIFICATION DIVISION

FROM PITTSBURGH (164-NEW) 2-P

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE,  
NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR, SEVENTYONE, CAA-HIJACKING, OO:SEATTLE.

[REDACTED], W.VA., TODAY OFFERED

NAME OF [REDACTED] AS SUSPECT IN THIS CASE. [REDACTED]

IDENTIFIED AS [REDACTED]

[REDACTED], FBI NO. [REDACTED];

W/M; DOB [REDACTED];

SIXTYNINE INCHES; ONE HUNDRED FIFTYFIVE LBS.; BLUE EYES;  
BROWN HAIR.

[REDACTED] IDENTIFIED [REDACTED] AS [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ON NUMEROUS

OCCASIONS AND DESCRIBED [REDACTED]

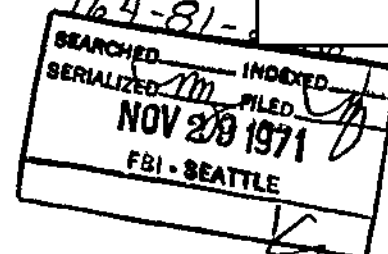
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NAME OF [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] WAS SOUGHT BY STATE AUTHORITIES, [REDACTED], W.VA.,  
IN [REDACTED] ON [REDACTED] CHARGE GROWING OUT OF [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]  
SUBSEQUENTLY ARRESTED THERE ON [REDACTED] CHARGE

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PURPORTEDLY WHEN [REDACTED]

SOURCE AT [REDACTED], W.VA., SAID [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]  
BUREAU IS REQUESTED TO SEND COPY OF FINGERPRINT RECORD  
TO SEATTLE BY TELECOPIER.

SEATTLE WILL THEREAFTER OBTAIN MOST RECENT PICTURE OF

[REDACTED] FOR DISPLAY TO WITNESSES.

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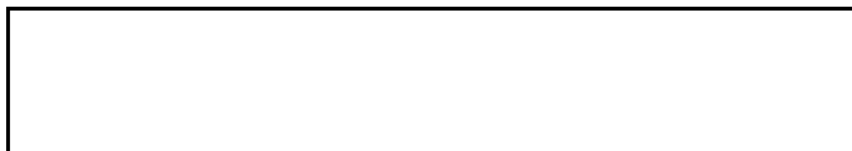
The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent [REDACTED]:

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AT EUGENE, OREGON

On January 12, 1972, the following photographs were shown to [REDACTED], who resides at [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] advised that he could not identify any of the individuals in the photographs as being the hijacker of the Northwest Airlines airplane. The photographs are as follows:

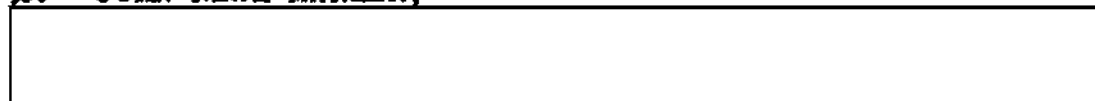
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240-HENRY GRADY EPPERSON;  
230-"BUZZ" (last name unknown) (LNU);

[REDACTED]  
145-PETER A. PARLO;  
257-JOHN NEAL MARLER;



174-LESLIE GENE MINCE;



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61-HAROLD LEE DOWELL, Solano County Sheriff's Office (CSSO),  
Number V62310;

189-ROBERT LEE HORTON, Multnomah County Sheriff's Office  
(MCSO) Number 13742;



DELBERT EARL DOWNING, Eugene, Oregon Police Department  
(EOPD) Number 2746;

165-JAMES CONRAD CLIFFORD;



202-GEORGE BRYAN SIEGRIST;  
MARVIN JOHN COOPER, Washington County Sheriff's Office  
(WCSO) Number 22048;

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163 -RALPH VINCENT GALOPE, DC 166858;  
[REDACTED];

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9 - ROBERT HAMMOND KEELY;

69 - JOHN GORDON HOSKINS;

1 - JOSEPH H. JOHNSTON, Mansfield, Ohio Police Department  
Number 18611:

[REDACTED]

ELLOYD J. SNIDER:

[REDACTED]

50 - BEN LEIBSON, Carson City, Nevada Police Department  
Number 17931;

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6 - JAMES HENRY ZIMMERMAN:  
[REDACTED] ..

## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription 12/6/71b6  
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[redacted]  
[redacted] Washington, advised that a white male who identified himself as BEN LEIBSEN, 961 Armory Lane, Carson City, Nevada, rented a house [redacted] on September 27, 1971, which was located on [redacted]

[redacted] This house was unfurnished and [redacted] advised he is sure this man never lived in the house for at no time did he ever see him bring anything to the house except a few personal possessions in a late model white Datsun stationwagon. The rent of \$75 a month in advance was paid by check, number 176, dated September 27, 1971, drawn on the First National Bank of Nevada, Carson City, Nevada, with a transit number of 94-57. This check had the name of BEN LEIBSEN on its face but had no address. [redacted] advised another check in the amount of \$75 was paid for the second month rent in advance on October 28, 1971.

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[redacted] recalled that this man and a white woman who was with him moved the few belongings they had in the house from the place on November 28, 1971. [redacted] also advised that this man told him that he had [redacted] but at no time did [redacted] in or about the property and further the man told him several untruths for some unexplained reason, one of which he recalled was that the [redacted] were returning to Carson City, Nevada, and the next day he observed that the woman was still there.

He further recalled that this man told him he was unemployed and in reply to questions by [redacted] whether he could meet the rent of \$75 per month, he stated he could. He further advised that no mention was made of any source of income of this individual but the two checks were processed for collection with no problem.

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[redacted] advised that he observed this man moving his possessions from the house on November 28, 1971, and is sure that there was no furniture in the boxes. Further, he stated that he is sure the man never lived in the house and has no reason to offer for his having rented it for two months.

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Interviewed on 11/30/71 at Longview, Washington File # SE 164-81-1895 *Sub. 50*  
by SA THOMAS J. MANNING:bfr Date dictated 11/30/71

[ ] advised that he had observed a composite drawing of the individual involved in the hijacking of a Northwest Airlines flight on November 24, 1971, and can say that the man who rented the property has some resemblance to the composite except that this man had more hair than the hair shown on the composite picture. He also stated that he would say the man looked Latin to him and had what he, [ ] thought could have been a midwest accent. He further pointed out that when this man moved out on November 28, 1971, he appeared to be in no great rush and was not unduly anxious to get away from the area.

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[ ] described the man as follows:

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Sex:	Male
Race:	White
Age:	45
Height:	6'
Weight:	170 pounds
Complexion:	Dark
Hair:	Sandy dark hair

[ ] described the woman as follows:

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Sex:	Female
Race:	White
Build:	Slight
Complexion:	Dark
Height:	5' 5"
Weight:	120 pounds
Characteristic:	Could be looked upon as of Latin extraction but had no accent of any type.

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TO LAS VEGAS

FROM SEATTLE (164-81)

UNSUB; AKA DAN COOPER; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT NUMBER THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR, SEVENTYONE, CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO: SEATTLE.

RE BEN LEIBSON.

PHOTOGRAPH OF LEIBSON SHOWN TO THREE WITNESSES AT SEATTLE WITHOUT MAKING IDENTIFICATION.

LAS VEGAS DISCONTINUE RE LEIBSON.

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5:41 PM NITEL 12/7/71 CMH

TO DIRECTOR (164-2111)

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LAS VEGAS

NEWARK

NEW YORK (164-627)

NORFOLK

PORTLAND

RICHMOND

SEATTLE (164-81)

SPRINGFIELD (164-31)

WFO

HOUSTON

FROM MINNEAPOLIS (164-73)

SUSP

Ben Leiber - 50 <sup>b6</sup><sub>b7C</sub>

Donald Otis Burnworth <sup>48</sup>

Ronald Lee White - 70

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO  
SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR SEVENTYONE. CAA DASH HIJACKING;  
EXTORTION. OO: SEATTLE.

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RE NEW YORK TELETYPE TO DIRECTOR DECEMBER THREE LAST,  
NORFOLK TELETYPE TO DIRECTOR DECEMBER THREE LAST, SEATTLE  
NITEL NOVEMBER THIRTY LAST AND SPRINGFIELD TELETYPE TO  
DIRECTOR DECEMBER ONE LAST.

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TO SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM LAS VEGAS (164-60) (P)

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UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE,  
NOV. TWENTYFOUR, SEVENTYONE; CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION.  
00: SEATTLE.

RE SUSPECT - BEN LEIBSON.

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED], ADVISED

THIS DATE THAT ON DEC. FOUR, LAST, LEIBSON [REDACTED]  
DEPARTED FROM RESIDENCE [REDACTED], CARSON  
CITY, [REDACTED] VEHICLES,  
SIXTYEIGHT LIGHT BLUE VW STATION WAGON, [REDACTED]  
AND SEVENTYONE BROWN DATSUN, TWO DOOR, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] STATED THAT SUSPECT'S [REDACTED]  
MOVING TO [REDACTED], SEATTLE, WASH., RESIDENCE ADDRESS  
NOT DETERMINED BY [REDACTED]. SUSPECT LEFT FURNITURE AND

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*[Signature]*

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BELONGINGS IN CARSON CITY RESIDENCE AND APPARENTLY PLANS  
TO RENT THIS RESIDENCE FULLY FURNISHED. IN VEHICLES WERE  
NUMEROUS ITEMS OF CLOTHING. USPO, CARSON CITY, HAS NO  
FORWARDING ADDRESS FOR SUSPECT

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LAS VEGAS WILL ADVISE SEATTLE WHEN FORWARDING  
ADDRESS OBTAINED.

MINNEAPOLIS REQUESTED TO ADVISE SEATTLE RESULTS OF  
CAPTIONED PLANE'S CREW VIEWING LEIBSON'S PHOTOGRAPH.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)

DATE: 12/6/71

FROM : SA LOUIS M. HARRIS, JR.

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES  
FLIGHT #305,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
OO: SEATTLE  
BUfile 164-2111

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On 12/3/71

[redacted], was shown  
a group of photographs which contained a photo of  
*Ben Leipson* [redacted] advised  
that this individual is not identical with his  
recollection of the hijacker in this case.

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/6/71

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT: UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES  
FLIGHT 305, 11/24/71  
CAA-HIJACKING; EXTORTION

On 12/6/71 SA [REDACTED] contacted [REDACTED]

telephone [REDACTED]

telephone SU 5-8835.

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SA [REDACTED] exhibited to [REDACTED] a group of photographs, including that of BEN LEIBSON, a suspect in the instant matter.

[REDACTED] eliminated this suspect, based upon his recollection of the hijacker in this case.

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[Signature]

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/3/71

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT;  
NORTHWEST AIRLINES  
FLIGHT #305,  
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,  
11/24/71  
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION  
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RE: SUSPECTS [REDACTED]

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DAVID GEORGE ALLEN  
LAWERANCE EDWARD FRANK  
BEN LEIBSON  
[REDACTED]

Witness CORD HARMS SPRECKEL was shown pictures of the above noted suspects. SPRECKEL could not positively identify any of the photographs as that of the hijacker. He said that all of the people shown in the photographs could be eliminated in his opinion with the exception of [REDACTED]. He said that [REDACTED] resembled the hijacker in photos numbered 5 and 6. He said that in photo #5 [REDACTED] is sitting in a manner much like the way the hijacker was sitting on the plane. He said that although there is a good resemblance in the photograph he could not positively identify [REDACTED] as the hijacker unless he say him in person.

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MINNEAPOLIS

PORTLAND 164-41

FROM LAS VEGAS 164-50

*Swap Ben Leibson*  
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UNSUB; AKA DAN COOPER, HIJACKING, NORTHWEST FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, NOVEMBER TWENTY-FOUR, SEVENTY-ONE, CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO: SEATTLE.

BEN LEIBSON, WHITE MALE, DOB JULY FOUR, TWENTYNINE, <sup>29</sup><sub>42</sub> NEW YORK, NY, FIVE FEET EIGHT INCHES, ONE FIFTYFIVE - ONE SIXTY POUNDS, BROWN HAIR, BROWN EYES, SSAN FIVE TWO SIX - THREE ZERO - EIGHT FIVE THREE FIVE. RESIDES AT NINE SIX ONE ARMORY LANE, CARSON CITY, NEVADA WITH [REDACTED],

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AND

[REDACTED] CARSON CITY SO FINGERPRINTED LEIBSON DECEMBER, SIXTYEIGHT FOR A WORKCARD PERMIT AS A DEALER IN LOCAL CASINO. FINGERPRINTS RETURNED FROM FBI IDENTIFICATION DIVISION MARKED NO RECORD. LEIBSON HAS CII NUMBER ONE-THREE SIX THREE-FIVE NINE THREE.

DMV, CARSON CITY RECORDS REFLECT LEIBSON REGISTERED AND LEGAL OWNER SIXTYEIGHT VOLKSWAGEN, TWO DOOR STATIONWAGON, VIN THREE SIX EIGHT ZERO SIX FOUR ONE FIVE, NEVADA LICENSE [REDACTED] DB COOPER 44902  
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ORE ONE TWO SIX. LEIBSON HAS NEVADA DRIVERS LICENSE  
BL TWO NINE ZERO SEVEN ZERO FOUR ISSUED JULY FOURTEEN,  
SIXTYTHREE. HE HAD PRIOR CALIFORNIA DRIVERS LICENSE D SIX THREE  
EIGHT TWO THREE FIVE.

RECORDS FIRST NATIONAL BANK, CARSON CITY, REFLECT  
LEIBSON OPENED CHECKING ACCOUNT FOUR EIGHT FIVE -FIVE SIX EIGHT-ZERO  
IN MARCH, SEVENTY, AND CLOSED ACCOUNT NOV. TWENTYTWO LAST  
WITH PERSONAL CHECK OF APPROXIMATELY FIFTEEN DOLLARS, NO REASON  
GIVEN FOR CLOSING ACCOUNT. FORMERLY BANKED FIRST NATIONAL BANK,  
LAS VEGAS, NEVADA.

RECORDS CARSON CITY NUGGET CASINO REFLECT LEIBSON EMPLOYED  
AS DEALER DEC. TWENTYTWO, SIXTYEIGHT TO MARCH THIRTY, SIXTYNINE,  
AND AGAIN JUNE SEVENTEEN, SEVENTY TO AUGUST TWENTYTHREE, SEVENTY.  
CEASED EMPLOYMENT BY FAILING TO SHOW FOR WORK.

OBSERVATIONS AT NINE SIX ONE ARMORY LANE, CARSON CITY,  
DEC. ONE, LAST, REFLECT TWO VEHICLES PARKED AT RESIDENCE:  
SIXTYEIGHT VOLKSWAGEN STATIONWAGON, NEVADA ORE ONE TWO SIX AND  
SEVENTYONE DATSUN, GOLD-SPAWN, TWO DOOR SEDAN, NEVADA LICENSE  
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OP [REDACTED] LATTER VEHICLE REGISTERED TO [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED], RESIDES

[REDACTED] STATED LEIBSON [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] UNEMPLOYED. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] STATED RESIDENCE WELL FURNISHED AND LEIBSON APPEARS

TO LIVE COMFORTABLY WITHOUT ANY SOURCE OF INCOME. LEIBSON

CLAIMED TO HAVE CANDLE FACTORY IN CARSON CITY WHICH [REDACTED]

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STATES OPERATED FOR ABOUT ONE MONTH IN EARLY SEVENTYONE AND IS

NOW CLOSED. [REDACTED] STATED LEIBSON [REDACTED] HAVE HIPPIE

TYPE VISITORS, BLACKS AND MEXICAN-AMERICANS. ONE VEHICLE OBSERVED

AS VISITOR IS WHITE, LATE MODEL, MUSTANG WITH UNKNOWN OREGON

PLATES.

[REDACTED] STATES LEIBSON

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[REDACTED] DEPARTED RESIDENCE NOV. TWENTY, LAST, WITH TWO

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[REDACTED] TRAVEL TO SAN FRANCISCO BAY AREA. THEY  
RETURNED [REDACTED]  
VOLKSWAGEN STATIONWAGON NOT OBSERVED AT RESIDENCE UNTIL  
DEC. ONE, LAST. [REDACTED] DID NOT OBSERVE LEIBSON  
[REDACTED] AT RESIDENCE DURING FEW DAYS BEFORE THANKSGIVING  
UNTIL DEC. ONE, LAST.

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DEP. SHERIFF [REDACTED], CARSON CITY SO ADVISED HE  
ANSWERED COMPLAINT ON NOV. TWENTYNINE, LAST, MADE BY BEN  
LEIBSON WHO REPORTED VANDALISM FROM CLOTHESLINE AT NINE SIX ONE  
ARMORY LANE DURING LEIBSON'S ABSENCE FROM THE RESIDENCE, PERIOD  
OF ABSENCE UNKNOWN TO [REDACTED].

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[REDACTED], CLOSELY ACQUAINTED WITH  
[REDACTED] WITH WHOM LEIBSON IS NOW  
RESIDING. [REDACTED] THAT [REDACTED] AND  
LEIBSON PLAN TO MOVE TO SAN FRANCISCO BAY AREA OR POSSIBLY TO  
AN ISLAND OFF WASHINGTON COAST IN NEAR FUTURE. [REDACTED]  
STATED HE PROBABLY CAN OBTAIN ANY FUTURE ADDRESS FOR  
LEIBSON [REDACTED].

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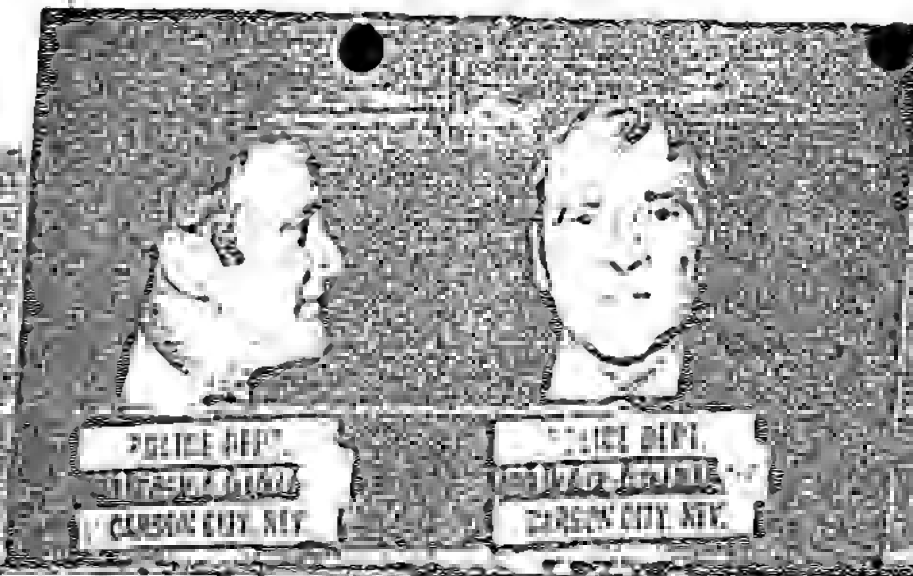
RECORDS NEVADA SKYDIVING, INV., CARSON CITY, REFLECT  
NO RECORD FOR LEIBSON. PHOTO OF LEIBSON DISPLAYED TO  
MEMBERS WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

PHOTOS OF LEIBSON FURNISHED AMSD ON NOV. THIRTY, LAST  
DIRECT FROM CARSON CITY PA TO MINNEAPOLIS, PORTLAND AND  
SEATTLE.

ADVISE RESULTS DISPLAY OF PHOTO OF LEIRSON TO WITNESSES.

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*Ben Liebson*  
*WMA* *DOB 7/04/29, New York, NY.*  
*Call R. B.*

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TO SEATTLE 164-81

FROM LAS VEGAS 164-60 IP

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND  
TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR, SEVENTYONE. CAA - HIJACKING;  
EXTORTION. OO: SEATTLE.

RE LAS VEGAS TEL NOVEMBER THIRTY LAST.

RE SUSPECT - BEN LEIBSEN.

[REDACTED] NEVADA SKYDIVERS, INCORPORATED,

CARSON CITY, NEVADA, REVIEWED MEMBERSHIP RECORDS THAT ORGANIZATION  
FOR INFORMATION REGARDING LEIBSEN WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. [REDACTED]

VIEWED PHOTOGRAPH OF LEIBSEN AND STATED LEIBSEN UNKNOWN TO HIM.

[REDACTED] WAS FURNISHED COMPOSITE OF UNSUB AND WILL DISPLAY TO OTHER  
MEMBERS OF HIS ORGANIZATION TONIGHT. [REDACTED] WILL BE RECONTACTED  
DECEMBER TWO NEXT.

INVESTIGATION AT FNB, CARSON CITY, NEGATIVE CONCERNING THE  
CLOSING OF LEIBSEN'S ACCOUNT. INVESTIGATION INDICATES LEIBSEN  
APPEARED AT BANK IN PERSON AND CLOSED ACCOUNT WITH CHECK DRAWN TO  
CASH. MADE NO COMMENTS TO TELLERS CONCERNING CLOSING OF ACCOUNT.

INVESTIGATION CONTINUING.

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TO SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM LAS VEGAS (164-60)

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND  
TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTY-FOUR, SEVENTY-ONE. CAA - HIJACKING;  
EXTORTION. 00: SEATTLE

RE SEATTLE TEL INSTANT.

RE SUSPECT - BEN LEIBSEN.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION CONCERNING LEIBSEN BEING OBTAINED  
CARSON CITY, NEVADA. PHOTOGRAPH OBTAINED. FACSIMILE COPIES BEING  
FURNISHED SEATTLE. COPIES OF PHOTOGRAPHS WILL FOLLOW BY AMSD.

REGARDING ANONYMOUS LETTER SENT TO "RENO NEWSPAPER, RENO,  
NEVADA" BY "D. B. COOPER", ORIGINAL OF LETTER OBTAINED AND  
BEING FORWARDED BY LAS VEGAS TO FBI LABORATORY.

INVESTIGATION CONCERNING LEIBSEN CONTINUING.

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11:07AM URGENT 11/30/71 VAB

TO LAS VEGAS

FROM SEATTLE (164-81)

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR, SEVENTYONE. CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO: SEATTLE.

RE SUSPECT - BEN LEIBSEN.

INFORMATION DEVELOPED NOVEMBER THIRTY, SEVENTYONE, REFLECTS BEN LEIBSEN, NINE SIX ONE ARMORY LANE, CARSON CITY, NEVADA, POSSIBLE SUSPECT IN CAPTIONED HIJACKING.

LEIBSEN RENTED HOUSE RURAL AREA COWLITZ COUNTY, WASHINGTON, NEAR RADIO BEACON ON WHICH HOMING DEVICE COULD HAVE CENTERED. HE PAID THE RENT WITH A CHECK DRAWN ON THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF NEVADA, CARSON CITY, NEVADA, WHICH CHECK HAD HIS NAME ONLY AND NO ADDRESS. THE HOUSE RENTED WAS NEVER LIVED IN AND LEIBSEN DESCRIBED AS WMA, AGE FORTYFIVE, SIX FEET TALL, ONE SEVENTY POUNDS, HIGH CHEEBONES, DARK COMPLEXION, SANDY DARK HAIR. HE MOVED HIS BELONGINGS IN A WHITE DATSUN STATIONWAGON.

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LAS VEGAS AT CARSON CITY, NEVADA - IMMEDIATELY INSTITUTE INVESTIGATION TO IDENTIFY FURTHER BEN LEIBSEN, SECURE PHOTOGRAPH AND IS POSSIBLE REGISTRATION OF WHITE DATSUN STATIONWAGON. IN EVENT PHOTOGRAPH IS SECURED, IT IS TO BE FURNISHED TO THE MINNEAPOLIS, PORTLAND AND SEATTLE DIVISIONS BY TELECOPIER TO BE SHOWN TO WITNESSES IN CAPTIONED MATTER. P.

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816 PM NITEL 11/30/71 FEE

TO MINNEAPOLIS

PORTLAND (164-41)

FROM SEATTLE (164-81) 1P

UNSIB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO  
SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTY-FOUR, SEVENTY-ONE. CAA - HIJACKING;  
EXTORTION. 00: SEATTLE.

RE SUBJECT BEN LEIBSEN.

LEIBSEN DEVELOPED AS POSSIBLE SUSPECT INASMUCH AS HE RENTED  
HOUSE IN RURAL AREA COWLITZ COUNTY, WASHINGTON, NEAR RADIO  
BEACON ON WHICH HOMING DEVICE COULD HAVE CENTERED.

LAS VEGAS AT CARSON CITY HAS OBTAINED PHOTOGRAPHS OF LEIBSEN  
AND FORWARDING TO SEATTLE, MINNEAPOLIS AND PORTLAND AMSD.

DISPLAY PHOTO OF LEIBSEN TO WITNESSES.

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